



# *Paradise Gardens BareFacts*

*June / July 2008*

## *From the Board:*

### **Pig Roast**

PG is having a pig roast on Saturday 5 July, 2008. The schedule for the days' activities is as follows:

9:00 AM Breakfast  
Noon Parade (Your parade, get involved!)  
5:00 PM Dinner  
9:00PM Dance

There is a "sign-up" sheet in the back room. Be sure to sign up or call the office to let us know that you are coming. We want to be sure to have enough food for everyone. We will not assume you are coming if we don't hear from you and no food will be purchased for those who don't confirm their attendance.

### **Basket Raffle**

Mike once again has graciously decided to put together a raffle basket. You'll want to get in on this one; the basket is a very nice quality basket and can be used for a multitude of applications. Oh Yeah! It's also full of liquor. So even if you're not the basket type, you might like what's in it. This raffle will take place Sunday 6 July, 2008 in the afternoon sometime and the cost is only \$5.00 each ticket or a better bargain is 6 tickets for \$25.00.

### **Improvements:**

We would like to draw your attention to the many improvements around the club:

New propane boiler  
New hot tub  
New, freshly painted pool steps  
Treated lake with aeration system  
Paving work  
Two new docks by Dennis and the Bears  
Waterfalls repaired and made operational by Roger.

The Board and the members are working hard together to make Paradise a place you can be proud of.

## Site Contest You'll Want to Enter!

Announcing a "site improvement contest" that you will benefit from no matter how you add it up. If you enter, your site will obviously incur some positive changes as you put your imagination and creativity to work mixed with equal parts elbow grease. You'll likely tone up and maybe even lose a few. You may get to know site holders you haven't met or visited with as you compare notes and check out what the neighbors are doing, and in addition to all of that you have the chance to win one of our three great prizes! There is no charge to register and you have until the Woodchoppers Ball to complete your improvements at which time the judging will take place.

With more than the whole summer to plan and execute your strategy, you can make your improvements a bit at a time so to speak. If funding is an issue for you, (what with gas being what it is etc.) then you have plenty of time to budget and/or "scrounge" what you need for your magazine cover worthy estate.

The more folks that enter, the better PG will look, so everyone benefits there. This is a win/win contest for everybody; no losers.

Now, you be wondering just what changes will put you in the running for the prize. What's it gonna take for your site to be among the top runners. Well, here are some of the criteria the judges will be using and some of the things they will be looking for when they evaluate each registered site.

Judges will look for class and an overall relaxing and inviting site, one that beckons to come "sit-a-spell" and enjoy the fruits of your labor. They will look for significant improvements and changes over what already existed. They will evaluate the way your changes fit into the area where your site is located and how well it blends with nature. Judges will want your site to be "green", as in environmentally friendly, using natural and recyclable materials where appropriate and more permanent materials where longevity is needed so as to avoid continually replacing and disposing. They will like to see new and unique ways to use traditional materials that reveal a "crafty" touch without being ostentatious.

The judges will be folks who have no sites and consequently will not be participating in the contest.

The prizes are first place, free site for 2009 (site fee waved, no cash value); second and third places will each win \$100.00.

What are you waiting for? Get up and go register at the office TODAY!!

## Boat Regatta Planned

Getting some more mileage out of the lake since it has been treated and aerated; we've planned a boat regatta to do just that. Build your boat, no store bought models please. Home designed and constructed are far more challenging and interesting (like, does it have self-propulsion). They are far more unpredictable and entertaining (like, will it even float). They get you more involved in the event and allow for more people to compete evenly against each other rather than against a commercially designed (and probably expensive) ship. Don't think that just building a "real purty" is gonna get you a prize either. The judges have made some very specific criteria. Your boat must float for a minimum of five minutes from the time it's launched, go out to a specific marker and then return to shore. Having met all these requirements, the boat that returns first is the winner. The date for this regatta is Labor Day Weekend, August 30, 2008. So, you Noahs out there, get crackin'.

## *From the Office:*

### Helping out

Many people find great satisfaction from contributing to the overall betterment of Paradise by using their gifts or skills and volunteering. Everybody benefits from the efforts of these good people who get more out of their visits than a suntan; they go home feeling that they have a personal vested interest and each time they return, they have a sense of pride as see the results of their work. Some may be obvious such as a flower bed or tree trimming, some other may not be so noticeable because it's a job behind the scene like repairing a loose picnic table.

Each contribution is important and special no matter how big or how small, and everyone appreciates it whether they are aware that it was your job or not (like when they sit down at that picnic table to eat or play cards).

Thanks to George for time he took to plant flowers in the flower bed next to the parking lot and thanks to Mike for the multitude of miscellaneous things he does do make PG a better place. Thanks to Dennis and the Bears for the two new docks. Thanks to Roger for his work on the waterfalls.

### Minor Yearly Schedule Changes

The heading pretty much tells it all. There have been some minor changes to the yearly schedule so we encourage you to go the web site and check them out. Don't want any conflicts with your personal schedule and you end up missing one of our great get-togethers. [www.nudelife.com](http://www.nudelife.com)

### Updating Email Addresses

With all the changes going on here at PG, we need to update your E-mail addresses. Please E-mail the office at, [pgfnr@fuse.net](mailto:pgfnr@fuse.net), with your E-mail address so that we can once again distribute your newsletter via E-mail. It's fast, efficient and cost saving.

## Lost and Found (Just lost really and hoping to find)

We have a report of two lost items, optimistically not stolen because we always want to think the best of everyone. One is bracelet, gold with diamond chips; and the other is a ladies Bullova watch. Please keep your eye open for these misplaced items. If you do find them, turn them into the office and we will see that they get back to their rightful owners with many thanks.

## Masked Bandits Strike!

They might wear masks, but they haven't fooled us, we know their identity! Just like on America's Most Wanted, we need your help, they're great at wreaking havoc.

What we do know about them is that they wear a mask, have great manual dexterity, are very clever, like to eat but they are short and not too strong. You can help thwart them by making sure all doors are closed at night (they are nocturnal). We will leave the patio lights on for now as well as the pool hall (don't know that they are particularly afraid of light though, they're very brazen). Properly disposing of your garbage will help because there will be no attractants. Secure all lids and doors on garbage containers. We want to see them move along without any further confrontation.

## Billing

Bills are being sent out without the AANR and AANR Midwest dues added. If you want to pay these dues let us know in the office and you can make arrangements to pay through us. We strongly encourage you to support these organizations as they lobby for nudism and also come to the aid of individual clubs that are in political throes (as we once were, and did receive help from them). Now it's time to support them, so they are for us all when we need them.

## When Strangers Come to Call

We nudists are, and are known to be, among the friendliest people around. Sometimes, though, throwing caution to the winds in our effort to be friendly, helpful and gregarious can be a bad thing. The "for instance" we're referring to here is the helpfulness in opening the gate during off hours when the office is closed. Assisting one you know to be a member in good standing, because for some reason their card has failed or they forgot their card "in the other car", is neighborly. But opening that gate for one you don't recognize, having never seen them before is risky. Opening that gate for one that has been locked out by the office usurps their authority. That security gate is there for its namesake, *SECURITY* ! Every time you choose to open it, you choose compromise security.

It serves two primary purposes. The first is to protect the grounds from unwanted trespassers that might pose jeopardy to you, and your property if you are a site holder, and the public areas as well. The second is to assist the office in treating all members and visitors fairly by enabling them to keep a handle who is using the facilities without paying. If these unannounced folk claim to be business, service or repair people, 99 times out of hundred the office will have made arrangements to stay late or arranged for someone to let them in; just tell them to come back during our normal business hours because you don't

have the authority to let them in. If they are legitimate, they will understand and get in touch with the office next day.

If you don't want strangers wandering around the grounds without having checked in at the office and registered, if you don't want members who are grossly delinquent in their fees having the same access and privileges as you (who took the time and trouble to pay on time), if you don't want to risk not knowing when an unregistered visitor has departed (wondering if they're still wandering around after "bedtime"), then think twice before you "card" that gate for them or ring them in with the buzzer.

Encourage your friends at PG to be equally cautious. Bring this article to their attention. If one person lets in a stranger, they compromise the security for all. Be considerate of each other like a family in this respect and rest peacefully at PG while you know the security gate is doing its job.

## Upcoming Events for June/July 2008

For a full listing of events for 2008, see the website, [www.nudelife.com](http://www.nudelife.com)

### June

June 7	Saturday	8 pm	Bingo
June 14	Saturday	10am-6pm	Open House
		Noon	Guest Volleyball League
		9 pm	Flag Dance
June 15	Sunday	10am-6pm	Open House
		Noon	Guest Volleyball League
June 21	Saturday	Noon	Corn Hole Tournament - PG vs Drakes Ridge (at Drakes Ridge)
		9 pm	DJ Dance
June 28	Saturday	Dusk	Night at the Movies (on the lawn)

### July

July 4	Friday	4th of July	Guest Volleyball
July 5	Saturday	Noon	Guest Volleyball
		Noon	4th of July Parade
		6 pm	Pig Roast
		9 pm	4th of July Dance
July 6	Sunday	10am-6pm	Open House
		Noon	Guest Volleyball
July 12	Saturday	8 pm	Bingo
July 19	Saturday	9 pm	Luau Dance
July 26	Saturday	Dusk	Night at the Movies (on the lawn)