

# Waterford

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#### What is Euchre?

By Heather Mueller, Social Committee Chair

**Euchre** / ju:ker/ or **eucre** is a trick-taking card game most commonly played with four people in two partnerships with a deck of 24 standard playing cards using only 9's 10's, Jack, Queen, King & Ace. Unlike most card games, the JACKS are actually the high cards and unlike in Spades or Hearts, the "Trump Suit" changes with every round. In tournament play, you rotate partners at each game, playing approximately 12 games. Play typically takes 2-3 hours depending on the number of players.

Every month our amazing social committee holds a Euchre tournament at the clubhouse. Watch the Waterford Facebook page for notifications. It is a great time to be had by all! If you are interested in learning or even just want a refresher we are happy to arrive 30 mins early to assist.

Upcoming Euchre dates: August 3<sup>rd</sup> & September 7<sup>th</sup>

If you would like to volunteer for any Social Club event or have any questions please contact: waterfordsocialky@gmail.com



July 4th 10:30 Parade 11:15 Polluck 3:00 Pool Party

July 6th 6:30pm EUCHRE

July 7th Movies on the Lawn 9pm Showing: Secret Life of Pets

JULY 12 6PM Waterford Board of Directors Meeting

July 18th Lemon - aiD Stand 4-7 pm

July 21st Movies on the Lawn 9pm

Showing: Sing

July 28th Movies on the Lawn 9pm

July 31 @ 6:30 BOOK CLUB

Discussing Lilac Girls

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August 3rd 6:30pm EUCHRE

August 8th Movies on the Lawn 9pm Showing: Moana

AUG 9TH 6PM Waterford Board of Directors Meeting

August 12 Back to School Bash

August 25th Movies on the Lawn 9pm Showing: Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory

Date TBD @ 6:30 BOOK CLUB

Book to be determined at 7/31 meeting

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Thank you to all who made the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration a huge success! In spite of the rain, there was a great deal of fun to be had by all!



## **Mid-Season Pool Reminders**

John Mountjoy, HOA President

Mid-Season Pool Reminders:

- 1) No drinks of any kind are allowed in the pool or around the pool edge.
- 2) No rafts or large floats are permitted in the pool.
- 3) No glass of any type is permitted inside the fenced pool area.
- 4) No smoking or the use of tobacco is permitted inside the fenced pool area. Smoking is also not allowed around the Clubhouse.
- 5) Personal music is permitted, but only at reasonable volumes. If your music can be heard across the pool, it is too loud.
- 6) If your kids get out of line in/around the pool (rough housing, running, etc.) the lifeguards will whistle them and tell them to stop. Interfering with the lifeguards as they perform their duties is not permitted. Don't want your children yelled at? Control your kids.

Our lifeguards and pool management have been asked to strictly enforce these, as well as all other, guidelines and rules.

Failure to comply with lifeguard and pool management directives will result in ejection from the pool



## Man O War Swim Conference

Just a reminder, July 15-17, Waterford will be hosting the annual Man O War swim conference. During the week leading up to the swim conference, the Man O War Swim Conference officials will be setting up tents on the clubhouse grounds and making preparations for this big event. These preparations will not affect the pool or the tennis courts.

During the conference, the Waterford pool will be closed; however, with your valid Waterford pool ID card, you will be able use other Man O War Swim conference pools free of charge. Please, check the website, <a href="www.waterfordlexington.com">www.waterfordlexington.com</a> for a list of the available pools and more information about the event.



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## No Solicitation Advice

While solicitors can be annoying, it's often not worth getting the police involved simply because a salesperson shows up at your door. However, should a solicitor ever appear suspicious or behave in a way that makes you uncomfortable or afraid, you should immediately call 911.

This is exactly what the police in Baltimore County, Maryland recently encouraged Parkton area residents to do. According to a Lutherville-Timonium Patch news report, the police warned residents of burglars that had been canvassing the neighborhood disguised as solicitors or hucksters. Needing the assistance of the residents to prevent daytime crimes, the police encouraged them to report any suspicious individuals they saw walking around their neighborhood, as well as reminded residents of the county laws that require door-to-door salespeople to carry or display a Baltimore County Huckster's License.

Regardless of where you live, it's important to be aware of the fact that individuals walking around your neighborhood could be criminals scouting for an easy target for a home invasion or burglary. Well-dressed and clean-cut strangers are sometimes simply a rouse to fool homeowners and their communities into letting down their guard.

In some cases, criminals will walk the neighborhood and take- photos of homes and the surrounding property. They will then study the photos to learn which homes have a fence, a dog, an alarm system, easy access, and more.

Even worse is when criminals are able to get homeowners to allow them into their homes. For some, this can be easily achieved by looking as if they work for a reputable company or acting as if they share similar religious beliefs. Once inside, the homeowner is susceptible to having the inside of their home scouted for a future burglary. They also run the risk of becoming the victim of a home invasion or other heinous crime.

While legitimate salespeople, charities, and religious organizations will file and carry the necessary solicitation permits, it's important to keep in mind that just about anyone with a computer, a scanner, and an inkjet printer can create and print phony identification cards and licenses. It's for this reason that you should approach every solicitor with caution.

No matter how innocent a person looks through your peephole, I'm a firm believer in NEVER opening the door to a stranger. However, if for whatever reason you find yourself opening the door to what you believe is a solicitor, here is some additional security and safety measures that can help keep you and your family safe:

If at any time you feel uncomfortable with the person, quickly shut and lock your door, then ask the individual to leave. If they don't do as you ask, call 911.

While allowing a solicitor into your home is a BAD idea, if you decide to do so, call a neighbor or a friend and notify them of what you're doing. Ask that they call the police if you don't call them back at a predetermined time.

If you own a large dog, have it by your side when you answer the door. Do not allow the solicitor to pet your dog or give your dog a treat. Regardless of how friendly you know your dog to be, you want the solicitor to believe approaching you and your dog is not safe.

If you have a home alarm system equipped with a remote panic button, have it on your person. Pressing the panic button will notify your monitoring station to immediately summon the local police. If you don't have a home alarm system, the panic button on your car key can also be used if your car is within close range to draw attention.

Article obtained from: http://www.globalsecurityexperts.com

Waterford has a posted no solicitation policy. If anyone approaches your home, remind them of this policy. If they make you uncomfortable, please, do not hesitate to call the police. Lexington Non-Emergency Phone Number: 859-258-3600

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#### Welcome neighbors!

Are you new to Waterford? We have a Welcome Committee that mails neighborhood information to new residents. The packets include information about our social media accounts, our website, clubhouse rentals, whom to contact, our Board of Directors, and our Property Manager information. We are so glad you are a part of our community. Welcome and enjoy! It is a great place to call home!

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bad neighbor is
a misfortune, as
much as a good
one is a great
blessing.

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#### LexCall 311

Don't forget 311 –
Lexington's single point-ofentry that can help with
many questions and issues
regarding the services that
the LFUCG provides (tall
grass, trash, potholes,
burned-out street lights,
and many others).

#### Being a good neighbor:

- Leash your pets and monitor their behavior. Excessive barking is annoying and a city ordinance violation.
- Do not block the sidewalks! This is also a Fayette County ordinance violation.
- Mow your grass and maintain your property.
- Take your trash cans around and do not leave them in front of your home.
- Look out for each other!



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