The feelings are mutual

The first question that springs to mind upon viewing Terrah Hewett’s amazing photography is, “How on earth did she get that shot?” So, we asked her and here’s what she said. (The photographs that we have selected to accompany this article will demonstrate Terrah’s uncanny ability for knowing just when to take the shot. Apparently she is also on a first name basis with her subjects, which doesn’t hurt.) ~Ed.

For as long as I can remember I’ve had a way with animals. Not just the typical, “I love animals” kind of thing. It goes deeper than that. My family tells stories of when I was baby that any dog, whether ours or a friend’s, would stay next to me and protect me. My fondest memories of my childhood seem to revolve around animals. I had a black lab named Ardie, and we went everywhere together. He walked me to the school bus stop and was there waiting for me when I got off the bus every single day. There was a pond not too far from our house that Ardie and I would visit nearly every day in the summer. He loved to swim there, of course. One day when Ardie and I were at the pond a little turtle took an interest in me. Each time we went down to the pond the little turtle would be there and he would move a little closer to us, until one day it was Ardie, me and the turtle sitting on the bank. That went on for a while until Turtle decided (named him Turtle) that he wanted to leave and go with us. I picked him up and put him back in the pond three times, but he just kept on getting out and following us. It took Ardie and me a long time to get home that day; you know how slow turtles can be.

One of our neighbors had a beautiful horse named Lucy. About three or four mornings a week I would hear a noise at my bedroom window and yep, you guessed it, there would be Lucy, looking at me as if to say, “Can you come out?” So I would get dressed and ride her home, scratch her in her favorite spot, then run back home.

I can’t forget about the birds! If you’ve seen any of my photos, you know how much I love them. I have a cockatiel named Bunker who is definitely part of the family. I could tell a thousand stories of my seemingly magical experiences with God’s precious creatures. I have had people ask if I feed the animals. The answer is no; I’ve never fed a wild animal, nor will I. I just absolutely have a passion for animals, and in some small way, I think they know it.

I’ve spent hours studying, watching and listening to the animals. I watch what and how they eat, sleep and play (they have play time just like we do). The animal world is nothing short of amazing. I wouldn’t trade my life for anything. continued on page 12

I call this pair of Bald Eagles “Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood.” They love to fish the Lockwood Folly River, and they return to this spot just about every day. They like to sit and preen and enjoy each other’s company. Eagles mate for life, and I have had the privilege to photograph two of their offspring.
Community Center update: The POA Board of Directors, in an effort to address the needs of the community expressed in the last issue of the Lines (reference the Lines online at lockwoodfollypoa.org), is investigating several avenues to get an affirmative vote on a new Community Center. Municipalities, Home Owners Associations, as well as Property Owners Associations can qualify for stimulus money through the USDA. We currently have a preliminary application to the USDA Rural Development agency to see if we qualify for grant/loan monies for our Community Center project, as well as sewers in Lockwood. We are also going to address as many of the twenty-six responses to the proposed community center floor plan as we can, with the goal to develop a plan the community will support.

Budgeted Projects for 2010: Our long-range planning committee has budgeted for the replacement of the tennis courts and enhancement of the front entrance at Stone Chimney Rd. (which needs to be investigated). The tennis courts will be moved to the adjacent lot to allow for the future expansion of the parking lot. Tony Regnier has volunteered to chair a committee to address the needs for the new courts.

Lockwood Folly’s Boat Storage (MDC Article X, Section 18): Would the owners of the two boat trailers shown below please contact Joe Pollard or Gordon Ackley? When anyone changes the boat and/or trailer they have registered with the assigned spot, their information must be updated. If you vacate your assigned spot for more than thirty consecutive days, you must inform Joe Pollard, or you may lose your spot. There are property owners on a waiting list to get a spot assigned, and without notification, a vacant spot may be reassigned.

We need volunteers from the property owners who are using the boat storage to assist in managing the area. If you are interested in helping, please contact Joe Pollard (joepollard@atmc.net).

~Gordon Ackley

Unidentified property at the boat storage yard...

Contact Joe Pollard to claim!

Escort trailer; NC plate BK-10639

Slot 72A: boat trailer & sawhorse
This past year has been one of extremes. The economy basically tanked, and this affected all businesses including LFCCI. Thanks to a conservative budget, constant monitoring and adjustments for both expenditures and revenue streams, the Club held its own. This cannot be said about other courses in the Grand Strand area.

The 2010 budget will again be quite conservative, as it is expected that we will see a continuation of the current economic trends with the hope of gradual improvement in late 2010. The Board will continue to monitor closely all aspects of the 2010 budget and adjust accordingly. Additionally, we will respond quickly to competitors’ changing rates of play to ensure that we are as competitive as possible for outside play. Member awareness of the situation and your continued support of the club are critical to our long-term fiscal stability.

Other areas that we will be addressing in the coming year are: long-range needs, including necessary capital improvements; our policies and procedures manual; and ensuring that the course remains in peak condition.

The Community Center initiative demonstrated that both the POA and LFCCI Boards could work together for a common goal and the good of the Lockwood community. Approval of this initiative would have enabled us to address our needed infrastructure improvements and upgrade our community amenities, making Lockwood Folly even more attractive as a lifestyle destination.

Thanks again to the Community Center Planning Committee for their tireless efforts and dedication, members of both Boards for their presentations and professionalism in addressing the questions and comments, both pro and con. Finally, thanks to the members of the LFCC for your overwhelming support of the first step, the property transfer. Your support clearly demonstrates the awareness of the need to address the overall community needs.

We will continue to work in close collaboration with the POA Board on the Community Center initiative. If we expect our community to grow and be an attractive retirement destination, we cannot ignore the obvious: attractive amenities, a well-maintained infrastructure and golf course are essential to our overall growth and financial stability.

Doing nothing is an option we cannot afford. ~Jon Peters

Tree at Dawn ~Terrah Hewett
Due to popular demand, the Thursday Ladies’ 18-Hole League will now have tee times available in the afternoon. There will be five tee times in the morning and three starting at 12:00 noon.

This year the Lockwood LGA will serve as host club for the Ladybird Golf Organization. The organization consists of twelve clubs which sponsor 18-hole tournaments throughout the season. Lockwood Folly LGA is responsible for coordinating the county-wide tournament schedule, as well as hosting the Ladybird Cup Tournament and Luncheon at the end of the season. The Ladybird officers that will be responsible for the events are: President, Susann Thompson; Vice President, Kay Teagardner; Secretary, Bobbi Platukis and Treasurer, Gerry Brewer.

The Lockwood Folly Ladies’ Fall Luncheon was held at the Chestnut Hill Restaurant on Thursday, November 19th. A delicious meal and a good time was had by all – golfers and non-golfers alike. Much recognition and many awards were given, including most chip ins: Bobbi Platukis; most birdies: Laura Botto; eighteen-hole league most-improved golfer: Cheryl Washburn; and nine-hole league most-improved golfer: Jean D’Addario.

Upcoming events include a ladies’ scramble on Thursday, March 25, and the Valentine’s Day Mixer on Sunday, February 14.

Elected at the final general meeting of 2009, officers for the 2010 MGA Board are as follows: President, Fred Krug; Vice President, Charlie Pepe; Treasurer, Fred Buchholz; and Secretary, Russ Marks. At its initial meeting the board commended the outstanding accomplishments of the 2009 board and pledged to maintain the high standards and hard work from which the membership benefitted during the past year. The 2010 board intends to focus on the tournament schedule, conducting tournaments that are challenging but fun and those that attract the entire membership. We hope that all our golfers of various skill levels can compete in a fair, fun and equitable environment.

The MGA tournament season ended with the traditional Red-White-Blue tournament. Despite some minor grumbles that the format turned out to be Gold-White-Blue for A and B flights, and Red-Gold-White for C and D flights, a good time was had by all in the challenging format.

The Travel League begins in earnest in January, with visits to the Norman and Love courses at Barefoot Landing and Grand Dunes. From February through the end of the year, the league will travel to neighboring courses on a monthly basis. In February, players will have an opportunity to play the exclusive Oceans Course at the Dunes Club. Congratulations to Jon Peters and Dan Volk on their recent holes-in-one.

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Lockwood’s Storm Water Management (SWM) committee now begins to see a “light at the end of the tunnel” as several major projects were completed in 2009. This committee has been quite pro-active since 2005, when it began the task of problem assessment, engineering and planning, regulatory compliance, and implementation of storm water improvements. We are at a point where we can look back on accomplishments and can now see that the list of “critical problems” has been reduced significantly.

You may recall that when our Master Plan was adopted in June of 2006, eighteen “mini projects” were proposed to address thirteen drainage problem areas, as identified by HDR Engineering. (The entire Master Plan can be viewed on the POA website.) Implementation work began in late 2006, and by the end of last year, the SWM committee had addressed a total of eleven of these “mini projects.” Projects were prioritized based on Lockwood’s recent flooding experiences and also the cost of implementation. An annual SWM budget of $120,000 has been allocated by the POA. The total storm water spending (2006-2009) has been $362,013. The following table summarizes four projects completed in 2009, all using Hardee Construction of Sunset Beach as the primary contractor:

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<td>C-1</td>
<td>Complete outfall “C” upgrade: with new pond control box and two 18” pipes under Club House Drive and under cart path at hole #2.</td>
<td>T. Robinson July</td>
<td>$17,810 ($10,000 from 2008 budget)</td>
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<td>C-2</td>
<td>Install control drain at pond #6 (Snake Island) with new 18” line under #9 Tee and through Windward Village into existing drain under hole #10 fairway.</td>
<td>D. Mills October</td>
<td>$50,523</td>
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<td>G-3a</td>
<td>Relocate outfall “G” drains from pond on #18 fairway, under Genoe’s Point Road. Create new roadside swale and control structures.</td>
<td>J. Van Dusen, C Roland August</td>
<td>$38,222</td>
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<td>E-1</td>
<td>Rebuild “E” outflow drain under Channelside Dr. and improve drainage from Atlantic Court to swale.</td>
<td>J. Parnell November</td>
<td>$20,719</td>
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Plans for 2010 include three more projects, which will have then addressed most of our “critical problems” list. This committee appreciates the fine workmanship provided by our contractor, Brandon Hardee, and also the cooperation of the Lockwood residents who have been directly affected by construction activity.

SWM Committee members: Gordon Ackley, Don Brewer, Sandy Lehmann, Charlie Roland, Tom Humenay, David Mills, Joe Geise, Rich Modrowsky, Joe Parnell, Tom Robinson and John Van Dusen, Chairman.
Ongoing Goings-on

Fitness
Yoga MF 8-9 AM (Michele Verhoosky)

Games
Bridge Tues 7:30 PM (Fran Fuchs)
Duplicate Bridge Wed 9:30 (B. Taraska)
Men’s Cards Tues 7:30 PM
Mah-jongg Wed 1-4 (Carrie Jackson)
Rummikub Tues 1-4

Men’s Sports
Tennis MF 9AM; W 9:30 (Tony Regnier)
18-hole golf Tues
9-hole League; Monday (Tim Taraska)

Ladies’ Sports
Tennis MWF 7:30-9:30 AM (Jan Kelley)
9-hole golf Tues
18-hole golf Tues, Thurs
Bowling Wed 10 AM (Laura Botto)

Couples
Golf Wed (Cheryl Washburn)

Organizations
Women’s Club 6:30 PM; first Monday
Crafts 10-2; 1st & last Friday
Koffee Klatch 10-12; 2nd & 4th Monday
Rod & Reel 7 PM; 3rd Monday

Special Events
March 25: LGA Scramble
February 14: Valentine’s Day Mixer
March 8: Yellow Ball Tournament
March 10: Membership Social
March 25: Ladies Scramble
April 12, 14: Memorial Cup
Paint Ins: 1st & 3rd Monday 9 - 11:30
through May

Tree Trots

The Tree Trotters paid $25.00 to enjoy the afternoon. We are happy to report that we were able to make a $1,100 donation to Duke for ovarian cancer research in honor of our neighbor, Mary Knopfle.

Lockwood Folly Artists Paint Ins
We have a great schedule of topics, thanks to some very talented and knowledgeable members. As in the past, the Paint Ins are free, drop-in and are open to everyone regardless of experience. Just stopping by to visit is fine too!

Paint Ins: First and third Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

February 1 and 15: Chinese Painting Techniques taught by Elsie Jordan.
(Delicate colors, subtle washes, and Chinese brush strokes unite into lovely paintings.)

March 1 and 15: Painting Techniques taught by Michele Verhoosky.
(Will a Manic Monet or a Crazy Cassatt join us?)

April 5 and 19: Painting lessons taught by Sharlene Ackley.
(Still life to shading /highlights in artwork are possibilities)

May 3 and 17: One Stroke taught by Sandi Emerson.
(An incredibly simple but extremely difficult style of painting combines colors and brush work into one.)
Brunswick Belles

The “Brunswick Belles” bowling league broke for the holidays with two Lockwood Folly teams placing in the top three spots. The Holy Rollers (Anne Klosowski, Carole Jackowski, Susann Thompson and Merry Yarbrough) are in second place. The Screwballs (Diane Modrowski, Marilyn Myers, Mary Ritterbusch and Cheryl Washburn) are sitting in third place. The Bowling Bags (Carol Bowers, Judy Galletto, Pat Morris and Debi Worley) are in eleventh place. The BB's (Linda Clark, Sandi Emerson, Arlene Evans and Barbara Horensky) are in sixteenth place and the Alley Oops (Patti Ayling, Laura Botto, Carolyn Puckett and Karen Manor) are in seventh place.

Following the first half of the season, The Alley Oops have the second highest scratch game, with a 477. The BB’s have the third highest team handicap series, with a 1946; and Susann Thompson has the third highest scratch series, with a 498.

A total of nineteen teams participate in the Wednesday morning league, which bowls at Planet Fun, located on Route 130 in Shallotte. Unlike last year’s league, the Brunswick Belles league utilizes a 100% handicap system and does not allow substitute bowlers. Bowling starts at 10 AM and finishes about 12 noon. Afterwards, many of the ladies enjoy a lunch out on the town. Anyone interested in bowling in next year’s league should contact one of the current bowlers.

Calling all cooks!

The Women’s Club of Lockwood Folly is in the process of collecting recipes for inclusion in our Lockwood Folly Cookbook: *Tea to Greens, 2nd Edition*. We know that we have great cooks in this community, and we would like to fill our cookbook with our favorite tried-and-true recipes.

We will need to have your recipes in hand by February 28, 2010. All submissions will be considered, but not all can be selected, especially if several individuals submit similar recipes. If you need recipe forms or further information regarding the appropriate committee member for recipe submission, call Linda Issitt, Chairperson, at 910-846-2091 or e-mail her at whoisit@atmc.net

This fundraising project is sponsored by the Women’s Club, but you only need to be a Lockwood Folly POA member to submit recipes. All proceeds will be donated to local charities.

~Donna Geise, President

Attention Crafters

Please remember to check the bulletin board at the front gate for the project of the month. We have Georgine Pascale’s floor cloth project scheduled for September but you need to contact Georgine (gmpascale@earthlink.net) NOW if you are interested.

Gourmet Club

The first Gourmet Club dinner in 2010 was held on January 16, 2010 with a Country French theme. The menu consisted of Boeuf Bourguignon with garlic mashed potatoes, ratatouille, endive/watercress salad and bâtards. The meal started with appetizers and Champagne/Chambord cocktails, assorted French cheeses with French bread and Seine strudel. Diners are shown at right enjoying desserts of chocolate fondue, fresh fruit, Crêpes Suzette and spiced pear tart, as well as coffee and liqueurs. Each course was held at a different home. Forty-four folks took part.

All residents of Lockwood Folly are invited to participate. Flyers are posted advertising the events, and all one needs to do is RSVP by the stated deadline and attend a planning session. This is a great way to get to know your neighbors and enjoy a delicious meal. The next Gourmet Club dinner will be held in April.
Street sign rehab

The POA is sponsoring a project to rehabilitate our Lockwood Folly street signs. The idea for a volunteer effort came about when Chuck Salayi asked if he could repair and repaint his street sign at Golf View Court and Channel Side Drive. Like several of our signs, it had become an eyesore. It turned out really nice, so the POA decided to follow up with a request for community volunteers to adopt a sign(s) for repair and repainting. The response has been good with seventeen volunteers so far, most of whom have taken on multiple signs to rehab. The results are beginning to show. We elected to paint the rehabbed signposts light beige, the same as the background color on all the signs, so any sign with a painted post has been adopted and rehabbed.

Thanks to the following sweat-equity volunteers to date: Chuck Salayi, Larry Reed, Tom Kelly, Fred Buchholtz, Jim Leth, Jim Cummins, Jon Peters, Tony Regnier, Russ Kleinbauer, Bob Lehmann, Pete Peterson, Jim Platukis, Paul Boileau, Mark Bolduc, Teresa Tese, Carl Teagardner and Rich Ferringer.

There are still a number of signs left un-adopted, so if you’d like to volunteer, pick out a sign and contact Joe Geise (joe.geise@gmail.com). We have paint waiting for you!

Lockwood Lines

Ann Boileau (pictured at the right) and Barbara Taraska have served as Editor and Publisher, respectively, of the Lockwood Lines for the past three years.

They have decided to take the early-retirement option in order to devote more time to honing their skills at golf.

As editor, Ann gathered a staff to report on events at Lockwood, and a bevy of photographers to illustrate the articles. After editing the articles, she passed them on to Barbara.

Barbara’s contribution has been to do the layout, maintain mailing and e-mail lists and communicate with the printers.

Anyone interested in either of these positions should contact Ann (842-1519) or Barbara (842-3931).

Beach House for Rent

1037 Coquina Cove Drive, Holden Beach.
Go to www.vrbo.com and link to #278159 for pictures and a complete list of amenities.
Contact Annette Smith (nettersmith@yahoo.com) 919 280 9944 to answer any of your questions and to ensure a discount to Lockwood Folly residents.

Mike Verhoosky casts a net from our dock.  
Photo by Terrah Hewett
The Red Hat Society has been in existence since 1997. It came about in Fullerton, California, when Sue Ellen Cooper presented her friend Linda Murphy with a red hat and a copy of the poem "Warning," by Jenny Joseph, for her 50th birthday. Other friends expressed an interest in receiving the same gift for their 50th birthdays. Four friends of Sue Ellen Cooper’s, dressed in purple outfits and red hats, went out to tea together. They had so much fun they dubbed themselves the “Red Hat Society,” and they decided to continue to get together in these colors for the sole purpose of having a good time. In 2000 an article entitled “Growing Old Playfully,” which appeared in Romantic Homes magazine, told of their determination to enjoy life. Sue Ellen received e-mails and notes from women around the country who were intrigued with this idea. Sue Ellen’s correspondence with these women helped to get groups going, and the rest is history.

Here in Lockwood Folly we have two chapters: Femmes Chapeaux Rouge and the Lockwood Folly Dollies. Femmes Chapeaux Rouge was organized by Mary Fonte in January, 2004, with 24 ladies. As word spread throughout the neighborhood, more ladies wanted to become members. Because it is often difficult to make restaurant reservations for extra-large groups, a spin-off chapter, the Lockwood Folly Dollies, was started by Brenda Mills in 2005. Today, the two groups have a combined membership of nearly 80 women.

Activities are usually held once a month. Some activities include the annual pajama breakfast at the Tin Cup, tea parties at various homes and tea houses, the Azalea Festival, trips (to Georgetown, Conway, Wrightsville Beach and Beauford, SC to name a few), beach parties, fashion shows, movies, bowling, and a visit to the Culinary Institute in South Carolina. Both chapters combine to enjoy a Moonlight Madness Pool Party and a birthday party. The focus is on having fun, and we celebrate the spirit of fun by wearing red hats and purple clothing.

Each of our groups has openings for new members. If you interested, please call Mary Fonte (842-3951) or Brenda Mills (846-5070).
I’ve been hoping to get a shot of a fish in a Pelican’s mouth and boy, did I. We have two pelicans that enjoy our fishing dock as much as we do. They allow me to sit with them on the dock and take pictures as they dive off to catch a fish or two. They are comical on land but so graceful in the air and water. You need to stand back for a while and just watch, and you’ll be amazed at what great creatures they are.

Striker is a little Green Heron, and he is one of the most fascinating birds that I photograph. Striker is exceptionally smart at putting bait in the water to attract fish. He will grab passing dragonflies (they have to be blue) and once he has four or five, he will place them in the water and wait for a fish to think he has lunch – little knowing that he will be the main course.
Little Blue, a Tricolored Heron, let me sit right beside him on the Websters’ dock. He is so beautiful in his mating plumage. It looks as if he has blonde hair down his back. For him to stretch both wings at the same time is very unusual, much less with me right there. It showed how much he trusted me. We have spent a lot of time together on that dock. I talk to him like he is a friend, and he sits and listens.

I love this picture of Charlie because he is so beautiful. I was out taking sunrise shots and went to the fishing dock, and there he was in his fishing posture and sure enough he caught a fish. Charlie hardly ever misses, and his favorite fish is flounder.