



The aftermath...

A big “thank you” to management, *Norm Burke, Bill Clark, Ken Cutler, Frank Egnew, Ron Flaherty, Patty Fox, Carl Hammond, Connie Hine, Chuck Howell, Bob LeDane, Lucky Louchart, Al Moore, Dick Samuelson, Will Turner, Bob Wirick, and Jan and Bruce Zylstra* for helping put down awnings before **Hurricane Charley** hit Fort Myers in August and the threat of **Hurricane Frances** in September. And to those that helped with the cleanup after the storm passed. The gratitude of all residents that suffered losses during this storm is greatly appreciated as there may have been more damage without this help.

Also, to *Madeline Clark, Mary Anne Egnew, Joyce Hammond, Ray Malinger’s* daughter RaeDonna, and *Lesley Utter*, who cooked the food that would have spoiled from refrigerators without electricity and served meals in the Club House. Your efforts were delightfully eaten.

Our appreciation also, to *Frank Egnew* and his crew who patrolled the park nightly after the storm to keep everyone safe and to deter any looting.

Thanks to all who sent photos so that our webmaster, *Jim Rudolph*, could post them on the internet for all away from the park to see.

And to anyone we may have missed naming our eternal gratitude.

Let’s not forget to thank the Lord for the blessings of turning **Charley** and **Frances** away from Fort Myers.

But let’s never forget those who were less fortunate!



Lot owners dues reminder

If you haven’t paid your lot owners dues for 2003 you cannot vote in the January election of officers. If unpaid, or unsure whether you have paid, contact treasurer, Dennis Love.



Community thanks...

...to *Carol and Lucky Louchart* who have coordinated the neighborhood watch for the past couple years.

...to all the men and women (30 strong) who have volunteered to do the rounds on security for our park—many of them taking the job three and four times a season.

...to *Nancy Love* and *Beth Thompson* who took on the task to remind residents who had not paid their Social Club dues to do so.

...to *Chuck and Madelyn Lorenz* who donated the turkey for the Easter dinner.

...to *Ray Malinger* who for the past 14 years has been the Bingo chairperson, and to *Jack Goodwin* who has signed on to take over this task.

...to all who contribute to the needy children of the Suncoast area. Fifty-six (56) dollars were collected in April.

...to *Earl Harvey* who has diligently helped with the food collections (25 boxes of food this past season); blood drive (14 pints of blood donated); and the money collected for the Suncoast area children (\$356).

...to the men that helped with the installation of the new sound system in the Club House, and to the Social Club and Lot Owners that helped pay for it.

...to *Joanne Maul* and her committee for the carry-in dinners during this past season.

...to *David and Jane Howell* for the new roof on the Club House.

...to the men who volunteered to paint the trim on the Club House.

...to *John and Joanne Maul*, and *Ron and Paulette Flaherty* for the memorial service held for *Jim Holmes*.

...to *Don and Helene Lizotte* and *Chuck and Edna Howell* who helped with the last dance of the season in the absence of the committee.





Newsletter deadline for December is November 23.

—IMPORTANT—

By now you should have received a letter from the new owners of Laurel Estates, John and Linette Parrish. This is just a reminder that your maintenance fees are due the 1st of the month and should be mailed to:

Parrish Properties

PO Box 580488

Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158-8051

Sunshine report

Please notify your block captain of hospitalizations or deaths in your neighborhood so they can notify the new Sunshine Lady, Paulette Flaherty.

Hospitalized since the last publication were: Marie Antonelli, Don Bacon, Gerald Brancieri, Earl Bull, Gene Elwell, Lil Flanders, Lois Fritz, Jack Goodwin, Carol Leonard, Carol Louchart, Ella Olson, and Larry Thompson.

Deaths reported in the park were: Emil Brandes' father, Lew and Shirley Byrd's daughter, Tom Crouch, Jim Holmes, Rosie May's sister and brother, Sylvia Wojcik's sister, and former residents Julia Denigris, Howard Graff, Marion Rotondo and Jean Zehder. Gone, but not forgotten.

New e-mail address for the newsletter

If you have an article for the newsletter, please use newsletter@laurelestates.com to convey the information so that it may be included in the publication. Thank you.

I would also like to thank those parties without whose help the April newsletter would not have been published and delivered. My gratitude to Flo Cummings, Paulette Flaherty, Jack Goodwin, Edna Howell, Jo LeDane, Nancy Love, Jim Rudolph, Clarene and Phil Trexler, and Lesley Utter. (Judy Schlundt)

Welcome...

...new residents Sylvia Bordo, Thomas and Sondra Clark, William and Phyllis Clark, Vernon and Patricia Davis, Gilbert and Mary Dickerson, Mila Grendell, Ronald and Laura Hagenbarth, Robert and Rachel King, Carl and Karen Leonard, George and Eleanor (Jill) Lincoln, Alan and Sue Noland, and Donald and Mary Ellen Utter.

Phone directory

Additions/Deletions to your phone book. See the printed version of this newsletter for phone numbers and addresses.

Add:

- Bordo, Sylvia
Clark, Thomas and Sondra
Clark, William and Phyllis
Davis, Vernon and Patricia
Dickerson, Gilbert and Mary
Grendell, Mila
Hagenbarth, Ronald and Laura
King, Robert and Rachel
Leonard, Carl and Karen
Lincoln, George
and Eleanor (Jill)
Noland, Alan and Sue
Utter, Donald and Mary Ellen

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Remove from your phone book:

- Czapla, Dorothy**
- Driskill, Jan**
- Fernandez, David and Mary**
- Kenney, Patrick and Georgia**
- Schaefer, Grace**
- Torvinen, Ruby Stella**
- Washkovich, Jerry and Elaine**
- Weaver, Margaret (Peggy)**
- Winner, Maurice and Louise**



Weekly activities

Please check with your activity chairman to verify your activity has started for the season.

Chairmen...if the start time or day for your activity has changed please notify *the* park typist so that it may be corrected in the newsletter. Thank you.



2005 maintenance fees

Management has announced that the coming year's monthly maintenance fee will be raised the 3% CPI to **\$65.79**.



Flu shots cancelled

The VNA contacted *Jack Goodwin* to inform him that flu shots scheduled for November 8, will NOT be available due to the demand and the short supply of the vaccine this year.



Summer picnic and barbecue

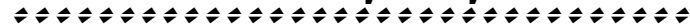
The 1st annual summer picnic and barbecue was held Sunday, October 10, thanks to *Jack and Pat Goodwin* and *Ron and Paulette Flaherty*, and their committee. This party symbolized the end of summer and hopefully the end of the hurricane season and we hope will be the beginning of a great new tradition.



Shuffleboard

Bayshore League Schedule for November

- Nov. 10** **Away at Forrest Park**
- Nov. 17** **Poinsettia at Home**
- Nov. 24** **Away at Bayshore**



Neighborhood Watch

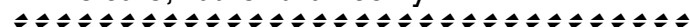
Frank Egnew is the new chair of Laurel Estate's Neighborhood Watch. Contact *Frank* if you would like to volunteer to help.

At 7:00 p.m., on November 12, before the next general meeting, someone from Metro Crime Prevention of Florida will be at the Club House to give a presentation. Come early and get some tips from them.

We would like to pass along some security tips that may help in reducing the number of break-ins encountered in our park.

- 1) Keep your bikes and personal possessions locked up (day and night).
- 2) Put a yard light in the front or back of your home (why not both).
- 3) Watch out for your neighbors and they will watch out for you...if you see something suspicious call the Sheriff's Office at 477-1000.

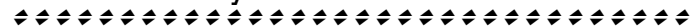
Be safe, rather than sorry!



New Year's dance reminder

Dance tickets for *The Snowflake Ball* on New Year's Eve will be available November 15 through December 15 and only 100 tickets will be sold. Advance tickets are \$10 per person and may be purchased from any committee member. There will be no tickets at the door! The committee consists of: *Paulette Flaherty, Carol Louchart, Nancy Love, Beth Thompson, and Jan Zylstra*. (Don't forget to sign up for a table.)

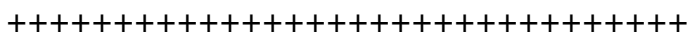
The cost of the ticket covers music provided by *Dennis Love*, until 12:30 a.m., appetizers; a buffet at 10 p.m., sodas, orange juice, and coffee. BYOB and celebrate the New Year with your Laurel friends!



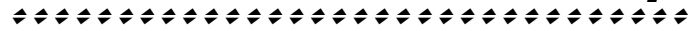


Happy Thanksgiving!

Doris Ray will host a Thanksgiving dinner in the Club House, Thursday, November 25, at 1 p.m. Please call Doris to volunteer to help with this dinner. The Social Club will supply turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, noodles, coffee, and tea. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board.



There will also be a box placed in the Club House for our Thanksgiving food drive for the needy. The deadline for drop off in the Club House is noon on November 23. **Please help!**



Chairmen needed

A chairman is needed for the Christmas dinner. There are always lots of people around to help, but someone is needed to head this committee. Please contact Jack Goodwin to let him know of your interest.

Also, the following committees are in need of chairmen for the upcoming year. If you have a desire to help with any of these activities, please contact Jack Goodwin, Social Club president.

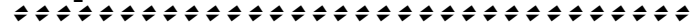
- Golf
- Horseshoes
- Kraft Club

Also, please note that Kraft Club has changed its meeting time from Wednesday to Tuesday at 9 a.m.



2005 Social Club officer nominees

Nominees will be announced at the next Social Club general meeting to be held Friday, November 12. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at that time.



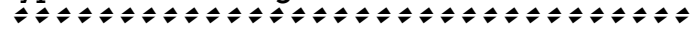
Pancake breakfast planned

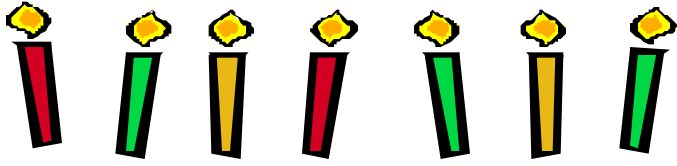
Plans are underway for a pancake breakfast on December 4. Keep your calendar open this date. Tickets will be on sale from any Men's Club member later this month. More details will follow in the December newsletter or you can check the bulletin board.



Reminders:

- Please put your aluminum cans in the WHITE container supplied by the recycling bins near the laundry drying area. The money collected from these cans goes to the Social Club. If the cans are put in the regular recycling bins they are NOT sorted for this purpose.
- Newspapers are to be put out with the regular Tuesday waste collection. That money goes to the Lot Owners Association.
- Pop-tops are to be placed in the area assigned in the Club House next to the stage. Money from them goes to Ronald McDonald House. Campbell product labels are to be placed nearby and are given to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children. Thanks to all who participate.
- Remember too, if you have a change of phone or any other Northern address information, contact Flo Cummings who will in turn give that information to Janice Ignatowski for our park phone book and the Social Club typist for recording.





May Birthdays

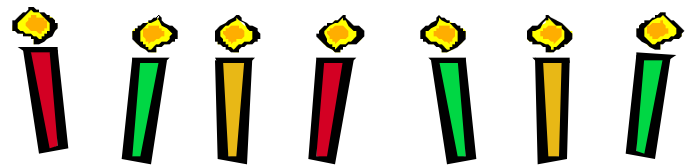
Happy Birthday

The birthday celebration this month will be for November and May birthdays and will take place Friday, November 19, at 7:30 p.m. with entertainment by **Cape Choraliers**. Cake and ice cream will be served after the entertainment and everyone is welcome to attend! Those celebrating these months are:

November Birthdays

- 1 Irene Cox
- 1 Margaret Gubi
- 2 Theresa Menzel
- 3 Wilma Gibson
- 4 Lois McFarlane
- 7 Harold Pritchard
- 9 Willis Shellenberger
- 10 Tony Niemczyk
- 13 Sally Rudolph
- 16 Clarence Stewart
- 17 Beth Thompson
- 19 Bea Reihing
- 20 Jill Lincoln
- 22 Rosalee May
- 24 Ed Baker
- 24 Larry Thompson
- 25 Catherine Karcher
- 25 Donald Utter
- 26 Marie Leonard
- 27 Elyse Holmes
- 28 Robert Lipp
- 28 Jim Tomlinson
- 29 Clista Wallace

- 1 Sharon Diver
- 2 Audrey McDonald
- 3 John Alberghini
- 3 Lewis Byrd
- 3 Harvey Groves
- 7 Tom McGrath
- 9 Floyd Hayden
- 9 Harold Louchart
- 9 Eugene Weithman
- 10 Jim McElroy
- 10 Audrey Occhibone
- 14 Bert Hine
- 15 Vernon Davis
- 16 Dallas Gibson
- 16 Audna Niemczyk
- 17 George Lincoln
- 17 Dennis Harrison
- 17 Sandra Kidder
- 19 Paul Angert
- 19 Joan Dunlap
- 21 Robert King
- 22 Ed Weinmann
- 26 Rita LaFave
- 26 Carol Leonard
- 26 Jim Morrison
- 28 Marjorie Loranger
- 29 Mary Flook



Food for thought...

Great minds discuss ideas;

Average minds discuss events;

Small minds discuss people.

