

LAUREL ESTATES SOCIAL CLUB

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JANUARY 2009

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT . . . GREETINGS 2009!!

A New Year..a brand new beginning. A time to make new resolutions, set new goals, time to "Git-R-Done"!! One of my first projects for the new year is already done! Thanks to all who helped renovate the game room!! Good job people! It's amazing what a few willing hands and strong backs can accomplish in a couple of days. I'm looking forward to another great year here at Laurel Estates. You will note that the date for Fiddlin' Bill of the Golden Road Quartet has been changed to January 30, at his request. The tickets will be \$5 PP and will be available January 1. Also, we need a chairperson for the Nonagenarian Party. If we do not have a volunteer, we will eliminate this event, And don't forget to clean the closets and drawers to rid yourself of unnecessary clutter and provide items for our Trash and Treasure. Lastly, I want to thank Pat Myrom for the great job she has done for me during the last couple of years. Let me wish each and every one of you a happy and healthy 2009!!

BOB L ☺

Many thanks to all our friends and neighbors for your generosity this season of giving.

Given to the Academy of Arts School for the year 2008 a total of \$668 in cash, plus toys, food and gifts. It was truly needed and much appreciated.

From the General Meeting	\$105
From the Potato Bake	56
For a total of	\$156

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Earl Harvey

NEW RENTERS:

Bob & Jerri Dickman
Shorty & Martha Manges

PLEASE NOTE: All phone numbers for new owners and new renters are now listed under the Phone Directory. If no number is listed, you may assume they have cell phone's) only.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES should be hard copy or hand written and in my possession by the 20th of the month..

The copy machine will be available for personal copies at 2723 Breezewood Drive. Please call ahead for an appointment. Thanks.

ELECTION OF SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2009

were put to vote according to Roberts Rules of Order. There were no nominations from the floor. The following persons Were elected:

President: Robert Livensparger
Vice President: Beth Thompson
2nd Vice President: Earl Harvey
Secretary: Joan Dunlop
Treasurer: Kathy Jones

Our sincere thanks to each of these individuals for volunteering their time and service to the Laurel Estate Social Club

FIRST ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

January 8, 2009, 12:30 to 3:00 PM

Everyone in our park is entitled to free blood, if needed because of our giving. Please try to support this worthy cause. Many Thanks.

Earl Harvey

PHONE DIRECTORY: Please make the following additions/changes to your directory:

(See the printed newsletter for addresses and phone numbers)

Engle, James and Mary

Please notify Jan Ignatowski of all directory changes. Thanks!

DUES NOTICE: If you have not paid your Lot Owners Dues, you will not be eligible to vote at the January Annual Meeting. Please pay the Treasurer:

Gail Goad

NEW BLOCK CAPTAINS

Wilma Gibson will replace Rosie May as block captain in Block #5.

Becky Henry will replace Marci Conrad as block captain in Block #9

Thanks ladies for volunteering. Also, many thanks to Rosie May, Marci Conrad, and Connie Hines for their past years service.

We still need a volunteer to replace Connie Hine in Block #3. If this is your block and you are willing to volunteer, please contact Beth Thompson.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

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

HOSPITALIZED:

12/4—Carol Louchart—Southwest Regional

12/4—Norm Burke—Health Park

12/10—Flora Harvey—Cape Coral

DECEASED:

11/24— Marie Campeau's brother
Verne Weatherholz

NOTE: Please do NOT remove cards and obituary notices from the bulletin board. This is the responsibility of the Sunshine Lady, Mary Louise Filer. Thanks.

NOTICE

All residents should be aware of the bookshelves located on the west wall of the clubhouse. Many items may be found on these bookshelves:

1. **Pop tabs—for the Ronald McDonald house.** Why not save your tabs and drop them in the container on the shelves to help benefit this worthy cause.
2. **Campbell labels for the Shriners.** Again, take a moment to save Campbell soup labels and place them in the appropriate container.
3. **Eye glasses** — donate old eye glasses/sun glasses to the Lions Club for their eye care programs.
4. **Neighbor** — a weekly North Fort Myers publication full of information, advertisements, and upcoming events. A must for all the T&T addicts in the park.
5. **Periodicals** — a variety of periodicals with helpful information for Seniors.
6. **Lost and Found** — various items that have been lost or misplaced.
- 7.

ALSO, CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY

Check out the books in our library, which is located in the Pool/Card Room. You will find a large variety of books for your reading pleasure. We do not check books out or in....simply take the book of your choice home with you, read it, and return it to the library. You may also donate books to the library if you wish to do so.

REMINDERS:

Computer Classes— will resume in January. Watch the bulletin board for details.

Saturday Morning Café — Don & Helene are hosting an “**eye opener**” at the club house every Saturday morning from 7:30 AM to 9 AM. Come in for a breakfast roll and wake up with a fresh cup of coffee!

Potluck Supper — will be held January 12 at 5 pm. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

Laurel Book Club — Will meet at the club house on January 19 at 10:00 AM. We always meet on the 3rd Monday of the month. More details on Page 4.

Mah Jongg—Come join us for Mah Jongg. For information call Janice Ignatowski or Sylvia Wojcik.

Friends & Fun— is the new name recently given to the crafters. We meet Wednesday mornings at 9 am. See page 4. We will not meet again until January 7.

Bingo will not meet on Christmas Eve Day or NYE Day
Social Club Board Meeting—Monday, December 29 at 8:30 am. All committee chairpersons should attend.

THANK YOU:

To Everyone who helped with the Christmas decorating both inside and outside the Clubhouse!! Great job!!-

To Norm Burke for painting the Canadian flag pole.

To all who attended the Old Fashioned Potato Bake. It was a fun get together and we all enjoyed the good old comfort food—baked potatoes with lotsa different toppings and a wide variety of desserts (which you all furnished). Special thanks to our helpers: Beth and Larry Thompson, Faye Souders, and Joan Brink. We accepted donations for the meal and received \$56 which will be given to Earl Harvey to be included in his donation to the Academy of the Arts school. Thanks again Everyone!

To Don Lizotte and his committee for another successful pancake breakfast. 171 persons were served and we made a profit of \$242. Good work guys!

To all who donated towards a Christmas gift for Julie and Jerry. We collected a total of \$143. Thank you.

To Jan Zylstra and Faye Souders for the combination Birthday and Christmas celebration. Thanks to Dennis Love for the piano accompaniment and thanks to all who furnished refreshments for our special evening. It was a wonderful time of fun and fellowship. Special thanks to Faye Souders for baking and decorating four wreath cakes....they were auctioned off with proceeds of \$41 going into the social club coffers. Mary Lou Filer won the 50/50 drawing of \$50. Sincere apologies to Marcia Weener and Gloria Watkins for missing their birthdays.

TO Earl Harvey for his efforts to help the less fortunate in our area by taking up cash and food donations.

SOCIAL CLUB DUES

Social Club Dues must be paid by March 1, 2009. For your convenience, Helene Lizotte will be in the clubhouse to receive your dues and issue a new name card to you. Beginning Monday, January 5, she will be available every Monday and Thursday from 10 AM to Noon., with one exception and that is Wednesday the 14th instead of Thursday the 15th. PLEASE! Pay your social club dues promptly. Thank you.

Helene Lizotte

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held Sunday, January 25 at 2 PM. Lots of delicious ice cream and toppings will be available: bananas, nuts, cherries, hot fudge, whipped cream and more. We will also be serving sugar-free products. Plan now to attend and please sign the sheet on the bulletin board by Thursday, January 22 so we can prepare for your enjoyment. The cost will be \$3 per person and will be collected at the door.

**OLDIES**

Music by: Bobby Hubcat

**JANUARY 31, 2009
LAUREL ESTATES CLUBHOUSE
7:00 TO 10:00 PM**

BYOB \$5

**TICKETS GO ON SALE AFTER NYE DANCE
FOR MORE INFO CALL 995-0903**



**LAKE ARROWHEAD
SNOWFLAKE DANCE
JANUARY 17, 2009 7-10 PM
MUSIC BY: JUST FRIENDS
\$5 PP BYOB**

**GOLDEN ROAD QUARTET
Fiddlin' Bill**

**THIS IS A GREAT SHOW...
DON'T MISS IT!!**

DATE: January 30, 2009

TIME: 7:30 PM

**WHERE: Laurel Estates Clubhouse
(Theatre Seating)**

Tickets are \$5 per person

Tickets will go on sale January 01, 2009

CALL:

Bob Livensparger

Beth Thompson

**HUMOROUS MONOLOGUE
JANUARY 15 AT 1:00 PM**

This is a "Ladies only" afternoon sponsored by the Red Hat Jewels for ladies in our area. Not a Red Hat event—all ladies are welcome to attend this fun event. Bring non-perishable items for your entrance fee—these items to be given to less fortunate in our area. See poster on bulletin board in clubhouse.

Helene Lizotte

ANNIVERSARY PARTY-2009

The Anniversary Party will be held on Sunday, February 15, 2009 at the club house at 2:00 PM. The following couples will be celebrating anniversaries. If you know of anyone else celebrating their anniversary, please call Louise Burns or contact her at home after January 8. Thank you.

50 YEARS

Don and Helene Lizotte
Phil and Clarene Trexler
Bob and Jerri Dickman
Karen and Gino Stockero
Dorothy and Benny O'Neil

60 YEARS

Phil and Mary Frank

65 YEARS

Robert and Lee Lipp

76 YEARS

Paul and Dora Angert

LAUREL ESTATES BOOK CLUB will meet in the club house on January 19 at 10:00 AM. We will be discussing **“The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night”** by Mark Haddon.

This book can be picked up at Esther Ritsema’s home. This book is available in large print, tapes or CDs. We would love to have anyone who is interested in reading and hearing the insight of others on the book, join us.

Esther Ritsema

“FRIENDS AND FUN” - The Wednesday morning group held a “cookie exchange” on December 17, with fifteen ladies attending. Wonderful home-made cookies were exchanged among those participating, with nine additional trays made for park residents. All in all, approximately 40 dozen yummy cookies were shared.

There will not be a get-together on December 24 or December 31.

The first two Wednesdays in January, Mary Livensparger will present recycling of Christmas cards and making family calendars.

The January potluck luncheon will be held on the 14th. Please bring a dish to share with the “Friends and Fun” group. All park residents are welcome to attend. The last two Wednesdays in January Sylvia Wojcik and Joyce Crites will present jewelry making.

Beth Thompson

LEAGUE SHUFFLE

Jan 7	Forest Park & Laurel Estates	There
Jan 14	Laurel Estates & Cypress Woods	Here
Jan 21	Lazy Days & Laurel Estates	There
Jan 28	Laurel Estates & Poinsettia Park	Here

Also

January 6, 2009, there will be a Bayshore Shuffleboard meeting.. This meeting is for the officers of the Bayshore League. This meeting was formerly held at Twin Pines. Since Twin Pines is no longer in the league, the meeting will be held at Laurel Estates the first Tuesday of November, January, and March of each year.

Eddie Smith

DART BASEBALL

Come on out Sunday evenings and laugh with us.
We have fun!

There will be no dart baseball on December 21 due to Christmas activities. See you December 28

Chairpersons: Edie Smith & Janice Ignatowski

Following is a note from Vi Fisher. Check the bulletin board to see her Christmas Card to us. Let’s shower her with cards and notes in return.

TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN FLORIDA AND ALL OVER THE US Thank you for all the cards, thoughts and for remembering me in this trying time. Due to health problems, my last few months have been spent in Berlin Hospital and Fountain View Care Center in Ripon. I am currently residing at Wolverton Glen Asst’d Living, 50 Sunset Ave, Ripon, WI 54971, Room #20. You can contact me here or by phone #920/748-3667. I’m receiving rehab here and can now walk with a small stroller to lunchroom and back.

Vi Fisher

RED HAT JEWELSfrom Queen Helene

November 14, 2008 We went to Perkins for brunch, hosted by Pat Goodwin. Five **Red Hat Jewels** were in attendance and were joined by seven Classy Ladies from Lake Arrowhead. After brunch five of us went to a matinee at the AMC theatre. It was a very nice day. Thanks Pat.

December

Ten Red Hat Jewels met at the clubhouse on Dec. 4 for a very informative meeting. Our queen made several announcements regarding upcoming events.

December 21 - Mary Miller has invited us to her home at 7:00 PM and Judy Cook will act as her co-hostess. Signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

January 15 We will be hosting an event for “Ladies Only” at 1 pm at the clubhouse. Admission is non-perishable items for the needy. This is not a Red Hat Event, but open to all ladies in the surrounding area.

January 18 We plan to attend a matinee at Cultural Park Theatre. See bulletin board for sign-up sheet and details.

February 3 Back to Cape Coral to make another batch of wine. We will lunch at 11:30. Details to follow

February 24 is Mardi Gras at Broadway Palms.

March 3 is our annual Ham and Beans dinner and **March 10** we will celebrate our 4th anniversary date.

Our Queen reminded us to make sure our Social Club dues are kept current. Remember to attend our monthly meetings always held on the first Thursday of the month from 1 to 3 pm at the Club House.

Queen’s Quote: How life catches up with us and teaches us to love and forgive each other.

HAPPY RED HATTING!!

Queen Mum Helene
Red Hat Jewels of Laurel



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Teresa Provencher
- 4 Cheryl Tobine
- 5 Tommy Thompson
- 9 Irene Wendland
- 10 Helen Onyett
- 11 Lois Fritz
- 12 Jim Powers
- 12 Jerry Forsythe
- 13 Joan Alberghini
- 14 Harvey Luke
- 14 Sue Suhr
- 15 Jane Kohn
- 16 Harley Lowery
- 18 Madeline Clark
- 20 Dorothy Lowery
- 20 Judy Schlundt
- 22 Helen Gillis
- 22 Jack Swick
- 23 Robert Routzahn
- 26 Michael Tobine
- 29 Betty Stewart

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Pat Borutzki
- 4 Lee Lipp
- 5 Carol Clark
- 5 Joyce Crites
- 5 Richard Menzel
- 9 Philip Trexler
- 10 Theresa Krieger
- 11 Tom Williams
- 12 Steve Smith
- 14 Karen Leonard
- 15 Gail Goad
- 19 Nina Moore
- 19 Larry Trahan
- 20 Sandra Routzhan
- 22 Pat Myrom
- 23 Pat Hunter
- 26 Marcie Conrad
- 26 Dan Wallace
- 28 Penny Smith
- 29 Sylvia Bordo
- 30 Laura Hagenbarth

Renters/Winter Visitors

- 31 Shorty Manges

ENTERTAINMENT: AMOS & COOKIE