

# LAUREL ESTATES SOCIAL CLUB

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FEBRUARY 2009

**FROM YOUR PRESIDENT . . . . Today, our President Elect, Barack Obama will be sworn into office.** Whether or not he was your choice, **PLEASE**, let us all join our hands and hearts in prayer and support of our new regime. We are all facing very difficult times in our country. Let each of us do our part to support our new administration.

### **America must come together.**

On a more personal level, we want to thank every one of you who helped our projects to date come to fruition. Many thanks to all who volunteered time, efforts, and expertise. We also want to say a special thanks for all the verbal support we've received. Sometimes a word of support or encouragement can make all the difference in how one feels at the end of a day. And a really big thanks to Julie and Jerry for their support and help and to Mr. Parrish for all the supplies he has purchased .

BOB L ☺

**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. Thanks.**

### **NEW PHONE DIRECTORIES:**

If you have not received your new phone directory for 2009, please pick it up at my home. If you are unable to pick up your book due to health problems, please call me at 656-3773 and I will get one to you. Also, please make the following changes:

(see the printed newsletter for phone numbers)

Lorenz, Chuck & Madelyn

Walter, Roy

**Please notify Jan Ignatowski of all directory changes. Thank you.**

### **WELCOME NEW RENTERS:**

(see the printed newsletter for addresses and phone numbers)

Cale, James & Dorothy

Tyrell, Joe & Cathy

Vogel, Larry & Betty



A warm Laurel Estates welcome to the new couples who have purchased in the park during the year 2008. We also warmly welcome the new renters. We invite you to participate in all park activities and we encourage you to offer a helping hand whenever possible. We are proud of our community and want you to feel a part of it.

### **NEW OWNERS - 2008**

Michaelis, Helga & Peter Michi	2/08
Earl & Shirley Ralya	2/08
James & Wanda Warren	2/08
Steven Pomeroy & Nancy Noffke	2/08
John Houle & Laura Young	2/08
Harold & Edie Miller	4/08
Janis Dumonson	4/08
Earl & Linda Weener	4/08
Andy & Teresa Provencher	5/08
Mel & Faye Souders	5/08
Thomas & Adreanna Smith	5/08
Lou Purnell	6/08
Robert & Suzanne Hannafius	6/08
Marcia Parsons	9/08
Michael & Joanne Sanborn	12/08

**SUNSHINE REPORT:**

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

**HOSPITALIZED:**

12/29 Norm Burke—Southwest Regional  
1/20 Shirley Weinmann—Lee Memorial

**DECEASED:**

12/31 Helen Onyett's brother passed away  
1/15 Nancy William's mother passed away

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

**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**— Want to hone up your computer skills? Jim Rudolph, our resident Webmaster Wizard is back on his lectern every Tuesday morning at 10 AM.

**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 February 9 at 5 pm. Do join us. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

**Mah Jongg**—Come join us for Mah Jongg Mondays at 1 PM. 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 3.

**Social Club Board Meeting**—Monday, February 2 at 8:30 am. All committee chairpersons should attend. If you are a Chairperson, please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

**Social Club Dues** must be paid by March 1, 2009. For your convenience, Helene Lizotte will be in the clubhouse collecting dues on Mondays and Thursdays from 10 AM until noon. Please pay your dues promptly.

**Pancake Breakfast** Don't forget to purchase your tickets for pancake breakfast February 7. Great meal for only \$3.50. They will be serving from 8—9:30 am.

**Annual Spaghetti Dinner** will be February 21. Tickets will soon be available. Watch the bulletin board for details.

**Wanna Dance?** If you want to continue the dances here in the park, you might want to consider volunteering to chair the Dance Committee in 2010. Give Don & Helene a call if you think you might be interested.

**A HUGE THANK YOU:**

**To all you guys** that have maintained the park entrance and ditch banks over the many years past. This job has been contracted out, with the cost to be split between the Lot Owners Association and Social Club.

**To everyone who** helped clean and paint the game room. **To Jan Zylstra** for ordering and installing the new blinds and **Sondra Goodling** for donating a new clock to the game room.

**Judy Schlundt, Chuck Howell, and Virginia Charness** for doing the annual audit of the Laurel Estates Social Club books and finding all in order.

**Belated Thanks** to all who helped make our Christmas Season at Laurel Estates so special! Christmas Eve, lighting of the luminaries, caroling, a wonderful Christmas dinner, hanging decorations and taking down decorations and finally a wonderful New Years Eve Dance. Many hands make little work.....and many wonderful memories. THANKS AGAIN TO ALL!



**ANNIVERSARY PARTY-2009**

The Anniversary Party will be held on Sunday, February 15, 2009 at the club house at 2:00 p.m. Please join us as we honor our friends and neighbors as they celebrate their many years of marriage.

Louise Burns

**“Friends & Fun”**

Come join your Laurel Estates friends and have fun every Wednesday morning from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the social club hall. If you have a hobby or special project to share with your friends, please contact Beth Thompson. Starting January 28, Joyce Crites and Sylvia Wojcik will be presenting lessons on jewelry making. February 11 will be our pot-luck luncheon. Bring a dish to pass and join the fellowship with friends. All residents welcome.

Beth Thompson

**LAUREL ESTATES BOOK CLUB**

Ladies, do you enjoy reading? Join the Laurel Book Club. We all read the same book, then come together to discuss it. We meet the third Monday of the month at 10:00 A.M. in the clubhouse. Our book for the February meeting is “MY SISTER’S KEEPER” by Jodi Picoult. Books can be picked up at the home of Esther Ritsema.

The next meeting is February 16. Please join us.

Esther Ritsema

**League Shuffle**

Feb 4	Tamiami Village & Laurel Estates	There
Feb 11	Laurel Estates & Pioneer Village	Here
Feb 18	Carriage Village & Laurel Estates	There
Feb 25	Laurel Estates & Forest Park	Here

There will be no Bayshore League Captains meeting in March.

Edie Smith

**St Patrick’s Dinner**

Plan now to join in the “Wear ‘N of the Green” dinner Tuesday, March 17 at the Social Club Hall. A good ‘ole fashioned corned beef & cabbage dinner will be served at 5:00 P.M. Tickets will go on sale February 20 at the February birthday party. Only 150 tickets will be sold. No ticket sales at the door.



Beth Thompson

**LE DEUX**

DICK & DIANNE  
“THEME COUNTRY”

WHEN? Saturday, February 28, 2009  
7 pm to 10 pm

WHERE? Laurel Estates Social Club  
B.Y.O.B.



\$5pp



**LOT OWNERS CORNER**

This time of year many visitors descend upon the park from various parts of the country. With the weather as nasty as it has been up north, that number may increase in the following months. We welcome these guests to our park and hope they have an enjoyable stay. You, as a host, have the responsibility to make your guests aware of our rules and regulations of which we must all abide. It is important that our guests follow the same rules and regulations found in the Deed Of Restrictions.

Recreational areas may be used by visitors and should be accompanied by a resident. This includes “individuals who are under 16 years of age who must be accompanied by an adult at all time.” The swimming pool is one area where many violations occur:

Diaper age children must be in proper swim attire for that age.

Adults must be in proper swim attire, not in cut-offs, blue jeans, or tee-shirts.

No food or alcoholic beverages at the pool.

No glass containers are allowed at the pool.

No “horseplay” in or around the pool.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Please review your copy of the Deed if you have questions. It could save much embarrassment for you and your guests later on. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Bruce Zylstra

Vice-President

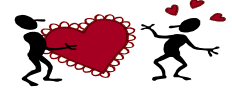
Lot Owners Board Of Directors



**SEE DON LIZOTTE OR  
JIM MORRISON IF YOU  
HAVE NOT PURCHASED  
YOUR TICKETS TO THE  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST.  
FEBRUARY 7,  
8—9:30  
TICKETS \$5 pp**

**LAKE ARROWHEAD DANCE  
VALENTINES DAY  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2009  
7 TO 10 PM  
BOBBY HUB CAT  
B.Y.O.B.**

**\$5 pp**



**FUND RAISER**

The beautiful quilt displayed at the January birthday party was designed, sewn and donated by Joan Dunlap, Secretary of the Social Club. It's a blue ribbon winner and would do honors to any home. Tickets are on sale for \$1 each. This quilt will be raffled off at the St Pat's Dinner March 17 and you need not be present to win. A big thanks to Joan.

**FLEA MARKET**—Trash, treasure, doesn't matter what you call it—we need your stuff. Our shed is filling **slowly** with items for the annual flea market on March 7. We'd like to see it fill up a little more quickly. SO, IT IS TIME to clean out all the stuff you want to get rid of — make room for more stuff. You need to organize, clean out cupboards and drawers....and your outside sheds....you're bound to find something you no longer use that someone else would find very useful!  
Good idea? Buy some new furniture and donate your old.... :))  
Seriously, we'll take anything but clothes. We do not have the room needed to handle clothing.  
We do ask that you take a minute to be sure the items you donate are clean and ready for display.

For pickup, call:

Bob Livensparger  
Bob Schlundt  
Dick Samuelson



**RED HAT JEWELS .....from Queen Helene  
Red Hat Matters:**

**Sunday, December 21**—Another great Red Hat Event held at Mary Miller's, hosted by Mary and Judy Cook, with 13 in attendance. We had a ball, and lots of laughs, played some games and had a sing-along with Mary at the organ. There were lots of goodies and punch and we all received a gift. Great job ladies!!  
We have added two new members to our group: Marcia Weener and Wanda Warren. Welcome Ladies "good choice!" :))

**Thursday, January 15**—Humorous Monologue by Margaret Roche. This event was hosted by the Red Hat Jewels. It was a great success. There were 65 women in attendance. We received lots and lots of non-perishable food items for the Academy of Arts. We had door prizes donated by Beth, Faye, Flora, Jill and Cathy. Thank you ladies. I want to thank all the women from our park and friends for their generosity.

**Sunday, January 18** —Another Red Hat event. Eighteen of us went to Cultural Park Theatre to see "Showstoppers". It was a terrific program, hosted by Becky, Louise, and Jill. After the show, we all went to Steak & Shake for refreshments. We had a great time and we all received a hostess gift—nice touch! Thanks ladies!

The Month of February is just around the corner. Please mark the following dates on your calendar.

**February 3**—We will depart the clubhouse at 10:30 for our annual wine making trip to Cape Coral.

**February 5**—Monthly meeting at clubhouse at 1 PM

**February 24** —Mardi Gras — details to follow

**February Outing**—to be advised

**Queens Quote:**

"A kind word can be as refreshing  
As a spring shower."

**HAPPY RED HATTING!!**  
Queen Mum Helene  
Red Hat Jewels of Laurel



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU .....



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Marion Morse
- 2 Judy Binsfeld
- 4 Mary Dickerson
- 4 Wanda Warren
- 5 Judy Cook
- 5 Teresa Harkness
- 5 Don Lizotte
- 6 Janis Zylstra
- 8 Tom Smith
- 10 Marie Campeau
- 10 Allen Moore
- 11 Bob Brink
- 11 Blaine Stroble
- 15 Bob Hamman
- 16 Virginia Chamness
- 17 Chet Anthony
- 17 Cletus Mavis
- 18 JoAnn McGrath
- 18 Jack Staup
- 20 Butch Chamness
- 20 Violet Fisher
- 21 Maurice Campeau
- 21 Thelma Franklin
- 22 Bob Schlundt
- 23 Helene Lizotte
- 25 Suzanne Davis
- 25 Andrew Provencher
- 25 Charles Schroeder
- 26 Gilbert Dickerson

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Marie Beyer
- 6 Barbara Thornton
- 7 Robert Hannafius
- 8 Shirley Ralya
- 10 Bob Lesko
- 10 John Maul
- 11 Shirley Byrd
- 11 Del Kohn
- 12 Dean Smith
- 14 Mary Miller
- 16 Linda Zimmer
- 17 Margaret Leas
- 21 Dean McDonald
- 21 Edie Smith
- 22 Nancy Noffke
- 25 Mel Souders
- 27 Barbara Pritchard
- 28 Edna Howell
- 28 Robert Gillis
- 28 Red Tebeau
- 29 Edie Miller
- 30 George Zimmer
- 31 Connie Hine

### Renters/Winter Visitors

- 18 Bob Dickmann

Entertainment: Dick & Diane Le Deaux