

# *Laurel Estates Social Club*

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FEBRUARY 2010

Dear Friends and Neighbors

THANK YOU for your support and positive responses to the new board. We're still learning the ropes and continue to try new things. To add a little life to the general meeting, we played Wheel of Fortune after the business meeting. This month will be something different. Come see what we're doing, over 60 people had fun and some fellowship in January. Our first Happy Hour was well received by over 50 residents. We laughed, visited, ate snacks and spent a fun positive afternoon.

On a sad note, we continue to be plagued by break-ins and robberies. They struck again this week stealing a three wheel bike and rifling thru 3 cars. In both instances residents had forgotten to lock up their personal items. I'm guilty of THINKING that I've locked up, but upon rechecking discovered that I hadn't locked up anything!! We all need to be extra careful about locking our cars, homes, bikes and anything else that isn't nailed down! I feel that it is extremely important for all of us to get to know our neighbors so that we KNOW if anything suspicious is happening in our neighborhoods. I don't like thinking this way, but we have to try to protect ourselves.

It's that time of year when I have to start contacting groups of entertainers for our birthday celebrations for next season. If you have heard an entertainer or group that you think we might enjoy, please get contact information to me so I can follow up with them. I have a few suggestions, but am looking for more. Thanks for your help.

February is going to be a busy month for us with a pancake breakfast, spaghetti dinner, dance, our regularly scheduled activities, happy hour and possibly other special activities so check out the social club board in the club house. Keep yourself informed so that you don't miss out on the fun. As always, volunteers are a vital part of every activity, please sign up to help. There is an opportunity for everyone. We always have a few laughs and a good time helping out. It's fun, just try it once and see for yourself. Don't forget to start collecting clean items for the Trash and Treasure sale March 6th. Contact Bob Livensparger for pickup.

Remember that each of you are appreciated for everything you do to make Laurel Estates the best place to live in SW Florida.

My thanks and best wishes to all.  
Faye Souders

**Newsletter articles are due on the 20th of each month and should be placed in the newsletter box in the clubhouse or emailed to Jan Zylstra at [newsletter@laurelestates.com](mailto:newsletter@laurelestates.com) .**

**Thank You.**

**Anyone interested in “calling” for Bingo on Wednesday evenings, please call  
Mary Louise Filer for more information**

I would like to thank everyone that helped out on Saturday, Jan. 16, for the Potato Bake. We had lots of different toppings and many good desserts. We were all able to visit with neighbors and friends. It was a good time — maybe we’ll have another one next year.

Thanks again, Carol Louchart



**“Love, like a river,  
will cut a new path whenever  
it meets an obstacle”.**

Crystal Middlemas

**Please notify Jan Ignatowski at with any additions/changes  
to our directory.**

#### **SUNSHINE REPORT:**

##### **HOSPITALIZED:**

- 12/26 Madelyn Lorenz - Lee Memorial**
- 12/31 Blaine Stroble -- Lee Memorial**
- 1/4 Helen Onyett - Lee Memorial - hip surgery**
- 1/15 Audrey McDonald - Lee Memorial**
- 1/16 Blaine Stroble - Lee Memorial**

##### **DECEASED:**

- 12/27 Elizabeth (Liz) Rodgers**
- 12/16 Cathy Karcher’s brother**
- 12/25 Tommie Thompson’s sister**
- 1/16 Martha Warneke**

**Just rec’d word that Ann Schabloski (former resident) passed away in April ‘09.**

Please notify your block captain of hospitalizations or deaths in your neighborhood so they can notify the Sunshine Lady. Please do not remove cards from the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

#### Shuffleboard Schedule

February 3	Laurel Estates/Tamiami	Here
February 10	Carriage Village	There
February 17	Laurel Estates/Poinsettia Park	Here
February 24	Laurel Estates/Lazy Days	Here

## 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 6, 2010. We'd like to see it fill up a little more quickly. SO, IT IS TIME for **YOU** to clean out all the stuff you want to get rid of — make room for *more stuff*. You need to organize, clean out cupboards, closets and drawers....and your outside sheds....you're bound to find something you no longer use that someone else would find very useful! We do ask that you take a minute to be sure the items you donate are clean and ready for display.

We'll take anything and everything — **BUT** clothes, shoes, mattresses/springs.

### For pickup, call:

**Bob Livensparger**  
**Bob Schlundt**  
**Dick Samuelson**

Along with the flea market, we will have our annual Bake Sale. Watch the bulletin board for details and a sign-up sheet. We depend upon our Laurel Ladies to provide the best baked goods in SWF!

The Food Stand will be available again on Friday night to **PARK RESIDENTS ONLY** from 4:30 to 6 pm. And the Flea Market will be open to **PARK RESIDENTS ONLY** from 6 to 8 pm. On Saturday the flea market hours are 8 am to 1 pm.

If you have any questions regarding the flea market, call Flea Market Chair, Bob Livensparger.

## Thank You !

Livensparger's & Fritz' will be coordinating the Feb. dance, scheduled for Sat. February 27 from 7-10 pm.

**Please don't forget that you may pay your 2010 Social Club dues of \$5/person on Mondays & Thursdays in the clubhouse from 9-11 a.m.**

**MARCH 1st IS THE DEADLINE**

It's nice to see "Uncle Pete" DeLoge's home being occupied for the winter by new owners Eugene & Emily Senecal. We're glad you're here!!

### Welcome Renters!

Anthony & Betty Mattucci

Donna Lennex, Lucy Higgins

Tom & Helen Reed

### Suggestions for Your Valentine !!

- Daily Love Notes
- Flowers (any kind)
- Name a star for you sweetheart
- Books - "Men Made Easy"  
"The Woman men adore"
- Romantic Cards
- Dinner Out
- CHOCOLATES !!!!!!!!

**Sunday, January 17**– Twenty Red Hat Jewels departed the LE Clubhouse adorned in their colors of red/purple. The agenda for the day was Neil Simon’s comedy, “LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS”, presented at Cape Coral’s Cultural Park Theatre. It was a delightful comedy enjoyed by all. We followed up with a stop at Daddy Dee’s for ice cream treats and a grab box of hostess gifts—one for each lady present. The hostesses for this event were: Lois Fritz and Mary Livensparger. It was a nice day and we thank the hostesses and the drivers.

Queen Helene

**“LITTLE ACTS OF KINDNESS  
CAN ADD UP TO A LIFETIME  
OF HAPPINESS”**

Queen Helene

**Reminders -**

**Concert - Thurs. Feb. 11  
7-8 p.m.**

**Admission: 5 canned goods  
per person for the Harry  
Chapin Food Bank in F.M.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS—MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!**

**Flea Market set-up - Thurs. & Fri., Mar. 4 & 5  
FLEA MARKET - Sat., Mar. 6**

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY DINNER  
Wednesday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m.**

**END - OF - SEASON PICNIC !  
Thursday, March 25**

**Watch for information & details in the March newsletter  
and plan to have a fun afternoon.**

**Events at Lake Arrowhead**

**Valentine Dance**

Sat., Feb. 13 - 7-10 p.m.  
\$5/person - BYOB - raffle  
Music by David Dean

**“Concert” - February 28th - 6-8 p.m.**  
Music by Joe Meidt  
“Sing-a-long”  
\$5/person

# *Happy Birthday !!*

Entertainment by "Dick & Dee"

## **February Birthdays**

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

## **Renters/Winter Visitors**

18 Bob Dickmann  
18 Jack Monson  
26 John Funck

## **August Birthdays**

6 Marie Beyer  
6 Barbara Thornton  
7 Robert Hannafius  
8 Martha Fisher  
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  
30 George Zimmer  
31 Connie Hine  
31 Emily Senecal

## **Renters/Winter Visitors**

4 Donna Lennex  
31 Virginia Gonwa

The following changes should be made to your Lot Owners Association owner package. Please mark your package with changes to the following pages.

On the **Welcome Page (changes are printed in bold type):**

Your monthly maintenance fee is **\$75.34** as of January 1, 2010.

**Utility Information:**

Embarq is now **CenturyLink** (telephone)

800/339-1811 (toll free)

**LAUREL ESTATES LOT OWNERS ASSOCIATION, Inc.  
OFFICERS/BOARD MEMBERS**

<b><u>Office</u></b>	<b><u>Name/Address</u></b>	<b><u>Phone</u></b>	<b><u>Northern Address/Phone</u></b>
<i>President</i>	Bruce Zylstra		
<i>Vice-president</i>	John Alberghini		Barnstable, MA 02630-1246
<i>Secretary</i>	Esther Ritsema		Grand Rapids, MI 49534
<i>Treasurer</i>	Gail Goad		
<i>Board Member</i>	Jim Dunlap		
<i>Board Member</i>	Mike Freedman		
<i>Board Member</i>	Charles Howell 2746 Teakwood Drive		
<i>Board Member</i>	Larry Thompson 2754 Teakwood Drive		Saugatuck, MI 49453

**Other (not board member)**

*Telephone*      Janice Ignatowski  
*Directory*

Annual dues of \$8.00 must be paid before December 31 of current year to vote in the next January election. A penalty of one dollar (\$1.00) is required for re-instatement of membership.

The Lot Owners Association Board of Directors meets the first Thursday of each month, November through April, at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse game room. Anyone wishing to attend these meetings is welcome to come and listen to the proceedings.

The annual business meeting, where officers and board members are elected and dues collected, is held the third Friday of January each year at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse.