

# Laurel Estates

## *Social Club Newsletter*

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JANUARY 2011

### **HAPPY, HEALTHY, NEW YEAR TO ALL!!**

I have high hopes and great expectations for 2011 and our family at Laurel Estates. We are kicking off the New Year with our big dance. We have dances planned every month, so dust off your dancin' shoes. Pancake breakfast and Spaghetti dinner are coming up soon. I promised that I'd have a DESSERT dinner this season and it's been planned for Feb., so watch your newsletter for details. Speaking of event calendars, we have launched something new. There's a large calendar in the clubhouse, on the bulletin board, listing monthly events; the calendar is on the website, and you're getting a hard copy in your monthly newsletter. As with everything new, mistakes are made (glitches, if you will), but hopefully this month those issues have been resolved. Please don't give up on us—we're trying hard and the end result should be easier and more convenient for you. Jan Zylstra (newsletter typist) and I collaborated in person this month, so there is hope!! Even APPLE makes mistakes so be patient. We don't want you to miss out on anything, so if you have questions, feel free to call me to double check the date and time.

Remember that Social Club General Meetings are being held on the second THURSDAY evening, each month, at 7:30 pm. Hope to see you there.

**Best Wishes, Faye (Social Club President)**

### **PHONE DIRECTORY**

**PLEASE NOTIFY JANICE IGNATOWSKI AT WITH ANY ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO OUR DIRECTORY.**

Anyone who has not received a phone directory, please contact me & I will see that you receive one.

Janice Ignatowski

**All newsletter articles are due by the 20th for the following month's newsletter. Please place them in the newsletter mailbox in the clubhouse or send to [newsletter@laurelestates.com](mailto:newsletter@laurelestates.com)**

**WELCOME LADY:** Joann Goldschmidt  
**SUNSHINE LADY:** MaryLouise Filer  
**E-MAIL:** [newsletter@laurelestates.com](mailto:newsletter@laurelestates.com)

*The Laurel Book Club will meet on Monday, January 17 at 10:00 am in the clubhouse. If you enjoy reading, discussion and fellowship, you will love book club!!!*

*We will be reading "ANGRY HOUSEWIVES EATING BON BONS" by Lorna Landwick. If you can join us on Jan. 17, you may pick up this book from Esther Ritsema at 2793 Wedgewood Dr.*

*Esther Ritsema*

**DIRECTORY ADDITIONS/CHANGES**

(See the printed newsletter for phone numbers.)

**Brink, Joan**  
**Hammond, Joyce**  
**Hunter, Cliff & Pat**  
**Livensparger, Bob & Mary**  
**Suhr, G. Sue**

**THE NEW 2010/2011 DIRECTORIES  
WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THE LOT  
OWNERS ANNUAL MEETING ON JANU-  
ARY 21. PLEASE STOP BY AND PICK UP  
YOUR NEW DIRECORY.**

**DANCE..DANCE**

Saturday, Jan 29  
7:00-10:00 pm

Music by:

**Rick Hammond**

\$5pp/BYOB & Snacks

Tickets:

**Jo & Mike Sanborn**  
**Edie Smith**

**LEE MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE**  
**Monday, Jan. 10—1-3 pm.**

Blood is badly needed. Even if you've never given before, please consider coming to the clubhouse and checking if you are eligible. So many in our park have required blood in the past, and this is such a convenient way to help out our community - you don't even have to drive anywhere - they come to us!!! Thanking you, in advance. Earl Harvey

**WELCOME !!**  
**NEW OWNERS**

Mark & Lynne Kaiden

- purchased from McElroy's

**POTATO BAKE !!**  
**Sunday, January 16 - 1:00 pm**

We supply the potatoes - you bring your favorite toppings.  
 Our previous potato bakes have been very successful and great fun !!!  
 Questions? Or if you would like to volunteer to help, contact Carol Louchart or Jo Ann Goldschmidt.  
 A sign-up sheet will be posted in the clubhouse the first week in January.

This year, due to your generosity, a total of **\$674.00** has been donated to **The Academy of the Arts.**

A large donation of food & many toys were also given to the less fortunate in our neighborhood.

Many thanks,  
Earl Harvey

Thank you all for the prayers and concerns for Gary Maul.

John & Joanne Maul

My mom and former Laurel Estates resident, Norma Pugh, is now living at Villa Court assisted living facility on Queen St. in North Fort Myers. Queen St. is off Powell Dr., opposite the 2nd entrance to Weavers Corner (Winn Dixie) shopping center.

Mom's Alzheimer's disease has progressed quite rapidly in the past 8 years, so I am not sure she would recognize any of her old friends and neighbors from Laurel Estates. However, if anyone wishes to either visit or send a card, (her 93rd birthday is Dec. 26th), please feel free to do so. You just have to ring the bell.  
 Visiting hours are from 9am to 8pm.

Thank you,  
Jack Goodwin

- FROM OUR SUNSHINE LADY:
- Hospitalized:**
- 11/29 Mary Engle - Cape Coral
  - 12/3 Charlie Linton - Lee Memorial
  - 12/8 Hilda Miller - Lee Memorial
  - 12/14 Joyce Crites - Up north
  - 12/15 Gary Maul - Lee Memorial
  - ? Ken Clark - ?
- Deceased:**
- 11/22 Agnes Mcree
  - 12/7 Blaine Stroble
  - 12/19 Harvey Luke's brother

# Happy Birthday Time !!

## **January Birthdays**

2 Teresa Provencher  
4 Cheryl Tobin  
5 Tommie Thompson  
10 Helen Onyett  
11 Lois Fritz  
11 Marcy Linton  
12 Jerry Forsythe  
13 Joan Alberghini  
14 Harvey Luke  
14 Sue Suhr  
15 Linda Barber  
15 Jane Kohn  
16 Harley Lowery  
18 Madeline Clark  
20 Dorothy Lowery  
20 Judy Schlundt  
22 Jack Swick  
23 Robert Routzahn  
26 Michael Tobin  
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 Dan Wallace  
28 Sylvia Bordo  
28 Penny Smith  
30 Laura Hagenbarth

Entertainment by:  
*Norma Martin*

## **DON'T FORGET TO KEEP YOUR APPOINTMENT FOR THE NEW PARK PHOTO DIRECTORY !!!!!**

### **Cookie Exchange 2010**

**Hundreds of homemade cookies were shared at the Cookie Exchange on Wed., Dec. 15th. Thirty-five sampler trays were made and delivered to residents.**

**Thanks to all who participated: Kathy Jones, Faye Souders, Beth Thompson and Jan Zylstra.**

**This is an annual event so mark your calendars for next year and don't miss the goodies on the third Wed. of Dec. , 2011, at 10:00,**

### **FUN & FRIENDS**

Starting January 5, at 9:00, this group will be meeting in the social hall. Many fun projects will be continued: jewelry making, scrap booking and others. If you have a special project please bring a sample to share and join us!

The second Wed. of each month, we enjoy a potluck luncheon at 11:30 following our project session. Bring a dish to pass and join in the fellowship with your Laurel Estates friends.

### **RED HAT MATTERS**

Our first event took place Thurs., Nov. 4, hosted by Pat Goodwin. Six of us attended. We had dinner at Lenny C's. It was "Karaoke Nite" so we joined in singing with the group. We had a great time - thanks Pat.

Our first Red Hat meeting of the season took place Thurs., Dec. 2. All Red Hat meetings are the 1st Thursday of each month at 11:00 am, in the clubhouse, unless notified different.

Our second event took place Thurs., Dec. 16, hosted by Flora Harvey, Wanda Warren & Marie Beyer. Lunch was at Sabal Springs at 1:00 pm. More info. will come in the next newsletter.

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart."

Queen Helene