

LAUREL ESTATES

Social Club Newsletter

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FEBRUARY 2012

Welcome back to our old and new friends who have just arrived in the past month. We've been waiting to hear your 'weather' stories. We had an exceptional birthday party in January with 150+ in attendance. It was a great event and I'm quite certain that everyone enjoyed the steel drum band. This month we have Colleen Kelly Reynolds returning with her Irish audience participation show. Maybe we can set another record!

The annual lot owners meeting was very special and informative. Don and Eric Gustafson, our new owners answered many of our questions and told us about some of their plans and changes that will be taking place in the park. I've very excited to see the changes in the coming months. Stay tuned.

Hope that all of you are going to eat pancakes on Saturday January 28th. It's the perfect way to end another month of fun.

John Alberghini is busy planning the SPAGHETTI DINNER scheduled on Friday, February 10th from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. It's always a great meal, lots of food at a reasonable price.

New to the calendar this year is a VALENTINE'S DAY bike, golf cart and foot parade at 3:00 pm. Show your creativity by decorating your wheels and yourself to join in the fun. We'll meet at the clubhouse and follow the parade with Happy Hour. It should be fun and we'll get in a little exercise to boot.

Thought for the Month: **"If you aren't part of the solution then you're part of the problem."**
Keep Smilin' - Faye

NAME BADGES: The Social Club nonagenarians (those 90 yrs. young and older) are not required to pay dues starting in the year they turn 90 yrs. young. Therefore once you receive your "Lifetime" badge, that is the only one you will receive as it does not have to be issued each year, as no date is printed on it. But, if you have a badge that has seen excessive wear, you may request a new one by contacting Judy Schlundt, Social Club assistant typist.

Also, for any dues paying member who has a badge cover that has been worn out, you may request a new one from Judy.

The Social Club would like to see everyone wear their name badges to all Social Club activities. This is especially helpful to new residents (and us old ones too), who are trying to put names with faces.

PHONE DIRECTORY

PLEASE NOTIFY JANICE IGNATOWSKI WITH
ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE DIRECTORY.

Anyone who has not received a phone directory, please contact Janice.

WELCOME LADY:	Beth Thompson
SUNSHINE LADY:	Mary Louise Filer
E-MAIL:	newsletter@laurelestates.com

Volunteer of the Month:

Who do we know who has held numerous positions in the social club over the years? This person worked the birthday kitchen for several seasons, plays shuffleboard on the team representing Laurel Estates, served in the capacity of Sunshine Lady, worked on our 50th wedding anniversary celebrations and for many, many years has welcomed new families to our park. She was/is dedicated to each of these positions. Virtually everyone

knows her by name because of the excellent job she did with her duties as Wel-Lady.



She is active recently the position of Captain

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still very active and has assumed the position of Block Captain for her neighborhood.

She is a great volunteer; always willing to get involved. We honor **Flo Cummings** as our Volunteer of the Month. Thanks Flo, you're one in a million!!

Current Events and News

***The Michigan, Canadian and Alaskan pot luck** will be held on Sunday, February 12th at 1 pm in the clubhouse. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service. This will be the third year and I hope our numbers continue to grow. It's a fun way to spend a few hours on a Sunday afternoon. Hope to see you there. **Please let me know if you'd like to have your own event so we can get you on the calendar.**

Needed for the Feb. 25 Valentine dance: some good rock n roll cds we could borrow. Call Edie Smith.

Tickets are free, but you must have a ticket!! BYOB/snacks. There will be a 50/50 drawing. Tickets are available from: Edie Smith, Mike/Joann Sanborn, Bob/Rosemary Hemenway, Jim/Kathy Morrison. This may be the only time it's FREE, so come on out and have fun!!

Park Trash/Treasure Sale - Sat., Mar. 3, 2012
Call Larry Smith for pick-ups!!

The annual **Corned Beef & Cabbage** dinner will be held Sat., Mar. 17, at 5:00 pm in the Social Hall. The meal includes corned beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, bread/butter, beverage & dessert. The **cost is \$8/per person. Tickets will go on sale Mar. 1—Mar. 10. Advance tickets only.** No tickets sold at the door. Ticket sellers are: Bob/Judy Schlundt (Breezewood), Larry/Beth Thompson (Deerfield), Edie Smith (Wedgewood), Bob Livensparger (Indianwood), Bob Binsfeld (Teakwood). **PLAN NOW TO CELEBRATE WITH US!!!**

Sharon Smith is collecting Social Club dues at her home on Mondays & Wednesdays from 10 am-3 pm. Reminder: dues are payable until March 1, 2012.

SUNSHINE REPORT

HOSPITALIZATIONS:

- 12/23 Bob Miller Bay Pines
- 12/30 Charlise Linton Gulf Coast
- 1/3 Jack Goodwin Connecticut
- 1/5 "Moe" Campeau Cape Coral
- 1/9 Rosie May Lee Mem./on to Shell Point
- 1/19 Joann Goldschmidt Health Park

Added by request: **Janice Dumonson's brother, James Raatz, passed away in May of 2011.**

Welcome New Owners:

- Keith/Tracey Windes
- Michael/Rosetta Bronson
- George/Linda Davis
- Wayne/Lesley Smithers
- Mike Tebeau
- Jake/Linda Grine

Let's welcome the many renters who are returning or new to Laurel in 2011/12:

Jack/Mary Monson	(MI)
Gerry/Mariann Frei	(Canada)
Dick/Marilyn Hemker	(OH)
Gary/Sharon Ringle	(IN)
Alex Patterson/Dennis Rivard	(MI)
Bill/Phyllis Clark	(IL)
Benny/Dorothy O'Neil	(MI)
George/Linda Salamon	(OH)
Bob/Jerrie Dickmann	(WI)
Virgi Gonwa	(WI)
Mel/Bonnie Reid	(NY)
Larry/Betty Vogel	(MI)
Marlin/Letha Craft	(IL)
John/Rebecca Machachlan	(Canada)
Francis/JoAnne Cavanaugh	(IL)
Bonnie Kanub/Katie Thelen	(WI)
Geno/Karen Stockero	(WI)
Dorothy Cale	(OH)

Fifty-three (53) people enjoyed the old fashioned Ice Cream Social on Sunday, Jan. 15 - a real ice cream feast with numerous toppings. Many thanks to all who helped make this a successful event!!

Beth Thompson

DIRECTORY CHANGES:

Wendell/Phyllis Cross
 Rita LaFave
 Chuck/Madeline Lorenz
 Bob/Sandy Routzhan

If anybody has any **old, big towels** that they are throwing away., we sure could use some for drying off the shuffleboard courts. **Call Edie Smith.**

February Shuffle Schedule:

Feb. 1	Laurel v Pioneer Village	here
Feb. 8	Forest Park v Laurel	away
Feb. 15	Laurel v Cypress Woods	here
Feb. 22	Carriage Village v Laurel	away
Feb. 29	Crystal Lakes v Laurel	away

!!!BOOK CLUB MEMBERS!!!

As you know, we have not been meeting due to the absence of our leader, Esther Ritsema. I don't know about you, but Mary Munson and Mary Livensparger miss our monthly meetings. So we are setting our regularly scheduled meeting day (3rd Monday of the month) for a "BOOK CHAT". We will meet at the clubhouse for cookies and coffee and discuss some of the books we've read over the past year. We can make recommendations and share and chat an hour away—I'm sure with no problem. We will not be bringing books from the library for everyone to read and discuss. This will simply be a time of sharing and discussion. If you like to read, and if you like to talk, PLEASE JOIN US. Monday, February 20 @ 10 am.

A HUGE Thank You to Joan Dunlap for her "trunk show"!! 52 ladies oohed & aahed & had a wonderful time appreciating your many talents!!!!

RED HAT MATTERS - February 2012

Our next meeting will take place this Thursday Feb. 2nd at 11 AM

Our 3rd event of the season took place Sun. Jan. 15th Hosted by Joyce Hammond and Jill Lincoln We attended the concert of the Lee County Community Band ,at Cape Coral High School. As is, every year, it was wonderful. After the program, we headed to Ruby Tuesday for a late lunch. Which was very good indeed. We all received a nice gift. We were 11 Jewels that attended and two guest. Girls great day well spent. Thank you Joyce and Jill Great day And one of our guest may be joining our Red Hat Group To all our friends in the Park that made a donation of \$10 dollars and received a cook book A Big thank you, from the Jewels, And to those that gave just a money donation . Its a great cause Helping Children And it means so much to us. Thank you Truly Great Friends Are Hard To Find, Difficult To Leave, And Impossible To Forget Queen Helene

WEEKLY ACTIVITES FOR THE SEASON

MON. - SAT.

9:00 am - Pool Exercise

MONDAY:

9:00 am - Fun Golf

12:30 pm - Fun Shuffle

1:00 pm - Mahjonn

6:00 pm - Poker

6:00 pm - Euchre

TUESDAY:

10:00 am - Computers

12:30 pm - Shuffle - Team Practice

7:00 pm - Pinochle

WEDNESDAY:

10:00 am - Fun & Friends

12:30 pm - Shuffle League

6:00 pm - Poker

6:30 pm - Bingo

THURSDAY:

8:00 am - Open Golf

9:30 am - Line Dancing

7:00 pm - Ladies Fun Cards

FRIDAY:

9:00 am - Fun Shuffle

SATURDAY:

7:30 am - Coffee Café

9:00 am - Bocce (Jan.)

SUNDAY:

7:00 pm - Dart Baseball

CUT THIS OUT AND MARK YOUR FAVORITE ACTIVITIES ON YOUR CALENDAR!!!!

NEW OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION

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: **Have Your Taxes Prepared for Free**
: The AARP Tax Aide program is again this year providing free tax return :
: preparation assistance and free e-filing of your federal taxes at the :
: North Fort Myers Library and the North Fort Myers Community Center :
: located in the park behind the library. Assistance is provided on Mon- :
: day, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday beginning February 1st through :
: April 14th. There are appointment signup sheets in the North Fort :
: Myers Library for both of our locations.
: If you have questions or are unable to travel to one of our locations for :
: tax preparation please contact Jim Rudolph.
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Whenever you contract to have trees trimmed, make sure that the person providing the service is licensed and insured. Most companies offer free estimates. You as the property owner are responsible and liable if the person has an accident on your property. If they destroy or damage your personal property, they probably will NOT offer to replace or repair it if they don't have insurance.

Reputable businesses will gladly show you their credentials upon request. I have contacted 3 different outfits that meet the basic requirements. They have proper equipment, current licenses and insurance. I will post each of their business cards on the board between the restrooms.

- Timbers Tree Service Stuart Fox 731-7272
- Accurate Tree Service Todd Graves 878-1182
- England's Tree Service Mark England 543-2040

Faye Souders

ONE MORE REMINDER!! All items placed at the curb on Tues. will be picked up as trash. That includes recyclable items. If you wish to recycle papers, cardboard, plastic, glass, etc. you need to take them to the compound and place them in the designated bins/large dumpsters. You are also encouraged to **take your rinsed aluminum cans to the container at Patti Fox's home.**
Tom Williams

The newsletter is published once a month from Nov. through April.
Please place notices in the newsletter mailbox in the clubhouse (just inside the big accordion doors) or send a note to Jan Zylstra at newsletter@laurelestates.com—the deadline is the 20th of each month. **Thank You.**

Join the Birthday Party!!

February Birthdays

2 Judy Binsfeld
4 Mary Dickerson
4 Wanda Warren
5 Judy Cook
5 Teresa Harkness
5 Don Lizotte
6 Larry Hack
6 Jan Zylstra
8 Tom Smith
10 Marie Campeau
12 Denise Straley
15 Bob Hamman
16 Virginia Chamness
17 Chet Anthony
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 Charles Schroeder
26 Peter Alvarez
26 Gilbert Dickerson

August Birthdays

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

Renters/Winter Visitors

9 Betty Vogel
12 Sharon Ringle
18 Bob Dickmann
18 Jack Monson
27 Bill Clark



Entertainment By:
COLLEEN KELLY REYNOLDS