

LAUREL ESTATES NEWSLETTER

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February 2016

From the Desk of the President



This is the time of year when many of our friends and relatives decide to escape the cold up north and visit us in Florida. This migration usually continues until Easter. While visitors are always welcome in the park, they may present some challenges in the grand scheme of things. Please remember that many of our rules apply to visitors as well. Please be aware that golf carts must be driven by a licensed driver, anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult in the recreational areas, and the “rules of the pool” apply to all; residents as well as visitors. In addition, visiting pets are only welcome in the pet areas of the park. Maybe the pet would like a vacation from its owners.

At the annual meeting of the Lot-Owners, Inc. a question was raised as to the possibility of having ID cards for snow-birds, which would allow owners to regain access to Laurel Estates after leaving for a manmade or natural disaster. All permanent residents have their Florida driver’s license to use and any winter resident can obtain a Florida ID (with their winter address) at the Lee County Tax Collector’s Office. The cost is \$31.25.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Thank you to all the folks who joined us for eggs, pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee on Jan. 23rd. We had a great turn out this year – 191 tickets were sold and we added \$540.27 to our bank balance.

A special thanks to all who donated their time to set up, serve, and clean up for the event.

Also, we would like to thank Boomer and Judy Binsfeld for chairing this event for the park. A job well done!!



HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

**LAUREL ESTATES
SPAGHETTI DINNER
Saturday Feb. 6th 4:30 – 6 PM**

Tickets (\$8) on sale now! See your block captain if you haven’t got yours yet!
COME ONE! COME ALL!

PRE SUPER BOWL PARTY



Feb. 7th 2- 6PM



There will be games!!
Corn Hole contest
Football pool
Shuffleboard
Horseshoes

Bring a snack to share and your own drinks and some Lawn chairs.

Come join us at the clubhouse and enjoy the fun!!

SWEETHEART DANCE



February 27th 7 – 10PM

Sign up for your table in the clubhouse.
Wear something RED!
Tickets (\$5) on sale Feb. 1st! See Bonnie Reid, Edie Smith, Emily Senecal, or Sophia Gillis for tickets!



There were no volunteers to chair the **Coffee Cafe in February**. It is **cancelled** for February.

The Morrison's have volunteered to chair the Cafe in March beginning March 12th.

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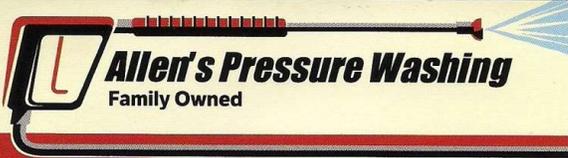
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FREE SOUP SUPPER
Feb. 23rd 5 – 6 PM

Come join your neighbors for a dinner based around soup! We will have corn chowder (meatless), chicken noodle soup, potato soup, and beef vegetable soup. Also there will be rolls, crackers, butter, coffee, iced teas, water, and of course, dessert!!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME FOR THIS FREE EVENT!!

Compound News

Ultra V is going to do a clean up of the compound and **remove all unregistered vehicles, trailers, and boats; as well as items that do not belong to residents of the two parks.**



If you have any questions about this process, please call Angel (317-818-9458) or Judy (317-835-4249) at Ultra V.

RED HAT MATTERS

Our 3rd event took place Tuesday Jan. 19th Hosted by Mary, Marie, Beth and Rita. Lunch was at the Edison Restaurant. Afterwards off to the Edison gift shop. Another great day
Thanks Gals!

We have a new member, Janet Sharnweber, from WI. Welcome. Next meeting is Thursday Feb.4th at 11:15.

Thought For The Day

We stand for Freedom, that is our conviction for ourselves; That is our only commitment to others. [John F. Kennedy]

Queen Helene

CRAFT CORNER

Come join us every Wednesday at 10AM. All crafters are welcome.

Join in for fun and fellowship. Bring your projects and see what others are working on. Several craft project classes and demos are being offered for interested crafters. All information is posted on the board for each Wednesday in February.

Some classes will be repeated in March and maybe a couple new ones will be added. A fun outing is planned for the last Wednesday of February and March! A sign-up sheet for each outing is posted on the bulletin board.

MANUFACTURER'S COUPONS

Submitted by Andie Smith

The ladies of the VFW are collecting Manufacturer's coupons and sending them to the military overseas.

Each month they send 3,000 to 5,000 of these coupons to the military. They choose 3 bases every month to receive these coupons which can be used 3 months past their expiration date.

Please begin placing all your unused coupons in the container on the shelf in the clubhouse. Also, if you get the Sunday paper, put the pages with the coupons that you will not use in the container, as well. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

SUNSHINE REPORT FROM MYRNA STROBLE



Deaths:
Bob Miller
Vicki Medley's father

Hospitalized:
Donna Hammon
George Henry



TRASH AND TREASURE



Larry Smith and Tom Fields will schedule a time to pick up your donations. Please remember we no longer accept sleeper couches or those large heavy tv's. Also, all items must be clean and legitimate sale items. If it wouldn't sell at a resale shop, it won't sell at our sale either!

As always, we need volunteers to help set up, price, sell and clean up after the sale. If you are new to the park, residents are able to come purchase dinner at our food bar, and then shop Friday night. Sign up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board by Feb. 15th. More details in the March newsletter.

IT'S A CELEBRATION



FEBRUARY

1 Donald Bossie
2 Judy Binsfeld
4 Wanda Warren
5 Judy Cook
6 Raymond Coley
6 Janis Zylstra
8 Tom Smith
10 Marie Campeau
12 Denise Straley
13 Joan Milke
15 Bob Hamman

16 Virginia Chamness
17 Chet Anthony
18 JoAnn McGrath
18 Jack Staup
20 Butch Chamness
21 Maurice Campeau
21 Thelma Franklin
21 Pamela Fry
22 Bob Schlundt
25 Suzanne Davis
26 Peter Alvarez

AUGUST

6 Marie Beyer
6 Linda Calvin
7 Robert Hannafius
8 Shirley Ralya
8 Judy Spencer
10 Bob Lesko
10 John Maul
11 Shirley Byrd
11 Del Kohn
11 Phil Miller
14 Mary Miller
16 Linda Zimmer

18 Ken Hoard
18 Lorraine Samson
21 Dean McDonald
21 Edie Smith
22 Nancy Noffke
27 Barbara Pritchard
28 Robert Gillis
30 George Zimmer
31 Emily Senecal

Renters/Winter Visitors
5 Bob Pontbriant

Phone Number Update



PHONE DIRECTORY UPDATES

(See the printed newsletter for the new numbers)

Ken & Carol Clark
Bob Livensparger
Mary Livensparger
Donald Bossie and Judith Spencer
William and Virginia Chamness
Jack & Carleen Staup

Please notify Louise Burns with any additions/deletions/changes to the park phone directory. If you have not yet received your new directory, see your Block Captain.

C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team)

The Laurel Estates C.E.R.T. has not been active the last couple years, but we're still looking for residents who may be interested in taking the training through the NFM Fire Dept. Following are the dates for the upcoming training session. There are 8 sessions and you must be present at all of them for certification. They are **Feb. 23, & 25; Mar. 1,3,8,10,15,17** and will be held at the Trail Dairy Firehouse (right at the light by Del Tura on N.41.

Our park contact is Pat Myrom & you may contact if you are interested.

Dues is now being collected for 2016. At the Annual Board meeting the following dues were approved:

Each lot = \$8

Each resident = \$2

Renters \$5 each

You may pay your dues when Sharon Smith is home. Call in advance to make sure she is there!

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Jack & Gloria Scroggins – from Larry and Kathy Jones

WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE HERE WITH US!





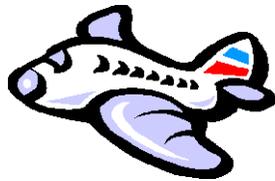
Interested in learning shuffleboard??

Practice is on Monday at 2 PM and Tuesday at 9:30 AM. Come join the group and learn how to play. New team members are always welcome!!!

Come watch our games. See the calendar for where we will be on Wednesdays!

Dorothea Adams of "Sky Med" will be here on Friday **Feb. 12 at Noon** to give a presentation to all who are interested. Watch the bulletin board for more information.

Sign up deadline is Feb 10. (She needs a count on how many she will have for the FREE LUNCH she will bring!!)



RECYCLING ALUMINUM CANS, PAPER AND CARDBOARD

Please flatten cardboard boxes before placing them in the recycling bin. The unflattened boxes take up a lot of space!! And we do not earn money for empty space! **The last two pickups did not amount to much, because too many boxes were just thrown in the bin without being flattened.**

The can bin is **ONLY** for aluminum cans and **NOT** for plastic bags.

Also, do not remove items from the bins once they have been placed in them. It is dangerous and you could be hurt if you fall in while trying to retrieve something.

This has been a profitable endeavor for our park. Recycling these items puts quite a bit of money in our account each year!!

EVENT COORDINATORS MEETING

Feb. 22nd 10AM

All event coordinators (and anyone who is interested in helping with events) are asked to attend the last planning meeting of this season in the clubhouse.

We are looking for creative solutions to keep our activities going. Many of our current chairpersons are stepping down and we really need to either replace them or eliminate the activity altogether.