

# Board of Directors Meetings

Unless otherwise notified, the monthly Board of Directors meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse from November through April.

Everyone is welcome. Attendance is the best way to find out what is going on and to express your concerns and recommendation for our community. There will be a time toward the end of the meeting for questions and comments.

## *A note from the Editor....*

This should be short and sweet. Yes, I am here to do the newsletter for the remaining two month in 2021. Who would like to take over?

The December newsletter is always a nice one to do as there are many things that go on.

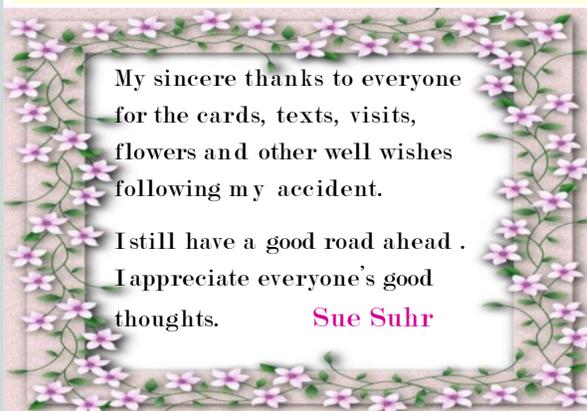
**I am putting out an assignment to everyone for the newsletter for December.**

**WHAT IS YOUR FONDEST HOLIDAY MEMORY?** It doesn't need to be terribly long. A picture would make it even better. I would need these stories by **November 20** because it takes a bit longer to get them all organized. The "What I Did during the Pandemic" was a good success. Let's do it again! Any pictures for this project must come by way of **EMAIL**, not **TEXT**. I really hope I can get a good response from y'all.

If you have articles for the December newsletter, please get them to me ASAP, but please make sure you have it written just the way you want it before turning it in.

Sherry Stover

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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION** - If you have an activity and/or event that you would like included in the newsletter, please be aware that any contact information you furnish will be included both in the printed document as well as any digitized (online) copies of the newsletter. Your submission indicates your acceptance of the above.

Thank You.

## From the desk of our President.....

Update on the tie-down program. The contractor has been slow to complete the project, but for those still wanting to get in on the program, let me know as soon as possible as I anticipate the project will be closed soon. For anyone who previously signed up, I have a spreadsheet giving the status of the jobs.

There was a meeting Oct 20 at the clubhouse between the Board and Don and Eric Gustafson regarding the roads. Our Attorney, Robert Burandt, was present. The position of Management is to resurface the roads is a capital improvement that can be charged back to property owners. Their thinking is to mill and resurface with a new 1.5 inch top coat of asphalt. The lowest bid is \$166,000 but there may be some additional cost. I asked Management what is their share of the project as they own property here as well. No answer other than they would have to determine that. Management wants the Board, after discussions with property owners, to approve their plan. If we refuse to pay for the new roads, or at least negotiate a deal where we pay part and Management pays part, then Management will not resurface the roads. They will continue to patch as they have been. I would like to present the project to owners at the January meeting and get opinions as to what we should do. We may need to vote so the Board can move forward with at least 51% of owners in agreement. The road resurfacing, if it happens, will be summer of 2022.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

*Reggie Blough*

## MAHJONG

**Do you like to play Mahjong?**



**TIME:**

**DAY: TUESDAY**

**WHERE: Take turns at different houses**

If you would be interested in playing, please call Janice at

239-747-3009.

Thank You.

## POKER

**Interested in playing poker?**



We meet at 6:00 on Mondays at the Clubhouse.

If you are interested in playing, call Janice at 239-747-3009

**WED****9:00**

# WALKDANCE

Join friends walk-dancing to uplifting music!

We will be walk-dancing for a minimum of 30 minute. Wear your walking shoes!

Want to continue the workout and cool off?

Wear your swimsuit under your walking clothes or beach wrap. After we get our great workout, rinse off under the outside shower and jump into the pool!

Sylvia Verrill

# BINGO

## Wednesdays

Games begin at  
**6:30 pm**

Make sure you  
arrive by **6:15 pm**  
to get your cards  
and get settled in.



## November's Birthdays

Hay	JACK	1
Smith	LYLE	1
Gibson	WILMA	3
Perry	PAULETTA	3
Yandow	SUSAN ANN	4
Gausman	JORJANNE	4
Pritchard	HAROLD	7
Chilson	PHILL	7
Bierbusse	JOSEPH	12
Stamatkin	LARRY	14
Todd	CAROL	16
Urquhart	MARTIN	16
Waters	GARY	16
Thompson	BETH	17
Byrne	KAREN	21
Sanborn	JO	22
Lozier	PAUL	23
Scheddel	SUE	23
Utter	DONALD	25



# Fun Golf

Come join us for a fun scramble with neighbors from Laurel Estates and a few neighboring communities.

**WHEN: Monday mornings @ 9:30 am beginning November 15**

**WHERE: Golf course at Sabal Springs**

For more details,  
contact **Jim Morrison** at

**617-750-4504.**

All are welcome



## Neighbors That Have Past

Sadly we have lost some of our neighbors and former neighbors since many of you returned to your northern climes.

4/14 - Robert "Bob" Wirick

4/29 - Harold Poe

7/17 - Thelma Franklin

8/18 - Warren Holoway

10/1 - Becky Henry

### Former Residents

7/10 - Mary Coley

10/14 - Cletus Maris



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## Shuffleboard

Once we all get back to Laurel Estates, we will be doing the practice rounds on Mondays at 2:00 pm and Tuesdays at 9:30 am.

As far as the travel games, the president of the shuffleboard league is suggesting that we just have the clubs meet for fun....no points, no winners. That will be decided during a November meeting. Due to Covid, many clubs are hesitant regarding starting a league; others are lacking the number of players to play because of Covid.

More details to follow  
Donna and Phill Chilson

## Hanukkah

**Hanukkah** is a Jewish festival commemorating the recovery of Jerusalem and subsequent rededication of the Second Temple at the beginning of the Maccabean revolt against the Seleucid Empire in the 2nd century BCE. It is also known as the **Festival of Lights**.

Happy Hanukkah to all our Jewish friends and neighbors.



In 2021 Hanukkah begins at **sunset on November 28** and lasts through **nightfall December 6**.

Thanksgiving Day is a very important day in the United States. There are many things that are especially related to the celebrations of the Thanksgiving Day. These include [Thanksgiving turkey trivia](#), pilgrims, thanksgiving proclamation, thanksgiving as a national holiday and other things.

1. Thanksgiving Day is celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November in the United States.
2. The Plymouth Pilgrims were the first to celebrate the Thanksgiving.
3. The pilgrims arrived in North America in December 1620
4. The Pilgrims sailed across the Atlantic Ocean to reach North America on a ship named the "Mayflower"
5. They celebrated the first Thanksgiving Day in the fall of 1621.
6. The drink that the Puritans brought with them in the Mayflower was the beer.
7. The Wampanoag Indians were the people who taught the Pilgrims how to cultivate the land.
8. The Pilgrim leader, Governor William Bradford, had organized the first Thanksgiving feast in the year 1621 and invited the neighboring Wampanoag Indians also to the feast.
9. The first Thanksgiving celebration lasted three days.
10. President George Washington issued the first national [Thanksgiving Day Proclamation](#) in the year 1789 and again in 1795.
11. Abraham Lincoln issued a '[Thanksgiving Proclamation](#)' on third October 1863 and officially set aside the last Thursday of November as the national day for Thanksgiving.
12. President Franklin D. Roosevelt restored Thursday before last of November as Thanksgiving Day in the year 1939. He did so to make the Christmas shopping season longer and thus stimulate the economy of the state.
13. Congress passed an official proclamation in 1941 and declared that now onwards Thanksgiving will be observed as a legal holiday on the fourth Thursday of November every year.
14. Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the national bird of the United States. Thomas Jefferson opposed him. It is believed that Franklin then named the male turkey as 'tom' to spite Jefferson.



## Christmas Card Drop Box



Due to the great response last year, we will supply a Christmas card drop box for the 2021 Holiday Season. The box will be labeled and located in our clubhouse. Feel free to drop off your holiday cards that are addressed to residents that live in the park (Name and Street address). No stamp is needed, these cards will be hand delivered. The box will be available from **November 14th through December 21st**. Please do not leave cards on the tables after the 21st. They will not be delivered.

## Embellish the Estates!

The park will be decorated for the holidays on November 26th at 10:00 am. If you are interested in helping, please give Jim Rose a call at 269-449-8000.



## Pot Luck Dinner

(First in MANY months)

**November 4th @ 5 PM**

Please bring a dish to share (desserts are welcome too) and your own place settings. Don't forget your appetite.  
**PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAG.**



## Can You Help?

### Manufacturers Coupons for Overseas Military

Welcome back everyone. It has been a tuff year for so many of us. I want to sincerely thank everyone that were able to still leave coupon books in the Club House.

The amount of coupons I am cutting now has gone from 10-12,000 a month down to about 3-5,000 or less. This is mainly due to the fact that our Neighborhood Weekly papers that we get in the club house and so many other places around have stopped putting coupons in them. The only source I really have now is with the Sunday paper and they have also cut way back.

Please, if you can still support the VFW Auxiliary take what you want and leave the rest uncut in booklet in the box for COUPONS at the Club House.

### Pop Top Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

I am still collecting the pull top rings from pop cans, beer cans, and some food with pull tabs for the VFW Auxiliary. Please leave in the plastic box provided in the Club House. Thank for continued support.

Don't forget I live here year round. If I can help anyone, please don't hesitate to call me at 239-656-2821. Leave your name, phone and a message. **Andie Smith**



**SUBMISSION DEADLINE - 2:00 ON THE 24TH OF THE MONTH BEFORE NEWSLETTER DATE**

# Busy Elves Christmas Bazaar



## Craft and Food Sale



**Sunday-December 5**

**11:00am to 4:00pm**



Tables will be reserved for you at the **cost of 5%** of your sales. This will be for the benefit of our park. Non-residents will be charged \$20 per table. Thank you.

**CONTENT** - HOMEMADE ITEMS AND FOOD FROM SCRATCH ONLY, PLEASE. NO RESALE MERCHANDISE.

**RESERVE** - Call me and I will reserve a table for YOU. Sylvia Verrill—207-739-9942

**SET-UP** - Starts at 10:00.

**CANCEL** - Please let me know if something comes up and you can't join us.

Plans are already set for refreshments to be sold from our kitchen

**We hope to make this an annual event!**

**So Elves, Get busy!**



## Two Musical Events for December

December 16 at 6:00 pm at the Clubhouse

LET'S GET TOGETHER AND SING OUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS SONGS!

LET ME KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEAD SOME SONGS. PERHAPS YOU PLAY GUITAR AND COULD LEAD. THAT'S WHAT I PLAN TO DO. PERHAPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO SOMETHING WITH OUR PIANO OR KEYBOARD.

SIGN UP IF YOU HAVE SOME SPECIAL MUSIC YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE OR LEAD.

## CAROLING

December 23 at 6:30 pm

Meet at the Clubhouse

JOIN US OUT FRONT OF THE CLUBHOUSE FOR CAROLING,

BRING A FLASHLIGHT TO HELP READ THE WORDS OF THE CAROLS WE WILL HAVE PRINTED FOR YOU.



Contact Sylvia Verrill  
207-739-9942



## REPEAT MESSAGE

(originally posted November 2019)

We are changing the way notices will be posted in the Clubhouse. **Effective immediately, there will be no Notices or Signs permitted on the glass doors at the Clubhouse.** If you have signs to post, they may be posted on the bulletin board on the North Wall of the main room. This will greatly enhance the appearance of the exterior of the building and will allow residents to sign up for various events.



The **Christmas Decoration Contest** will be judged on **December 23 between 6pm and 8pm.** 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners list will be on the bulletin board in the clubhouse on December 24th by Noon. The winners will also have a sign posted in their front yards. Look forward to seeing some beautiful displays.



# Cooking Terms

## WORD SEARCH

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 BASTE  
 BEAT  
 BLANCH  
 BLEND  
 BLIND BAKE  
 BOIL  
 BRAISE  
 BROIL  
 CHOP  
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 COAT  
 CREAM  
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 DICE  
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 MIX  
 MOISTEN  
 MULL  
 PARE  
 PINCH  
 POACH  
 PUREE  
 REDUCE

ROUX  
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