



Gazette

April 2018

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Thank you to Mrs. Louann Taggart for this picturesque photo. Mrs. Taggart took this picture on 02/28/18 between holes 3 & 4 on the South Course.

If you have taken any pictures that you think would look great on our cover, please submit them to gazette@myhighlandsridge.net. The pictures must be from within the community.

WHATS HAPPENING?

Sun Apr 1 Sosely' s Easter Pot Luck FH 3pm
 Sat Apr 7 Going Away Dance FH 7pm
 Sun Apr 8 Mentalist Mark Stone FH 6pm
 Mon Apr 9 HR HOA Meeting FH 4pm
 Tue Apr 10 HRRC Meeting AR 10:15am
 Tue Apr 10 MC HOA Meeting AR 1pm
 Fri Apr 13 Bulk Trash
 Tue Apr 17 Pot Luck FH 5:30pm
 Thurs Apr 19 Coffee w/Birdy AR 9:30am
 Thurs Apr 19 Movie & Ice Cream AR 1:30pm
 Fri Apr 20 Adopt A Road
 Tue Apr 24 Alzheimer/Dementia Support AR 2pm
 Fri Apr 27 Bulk Trash

Cribbage play has resumed on Monday @6:30 in Founder's Hall. If you want to learn Cribbage please call 517-899-8195.
 John & Pat Yirsa

FUTURE EVENTS

Sat May 5 Cinco de Mayo
 Tue May 8 HRRC Meeting AR 10:15am
 Tue May 8 MC HOA Meeting AR 1pm
 Sun May 13 Mother's Day
 Mon May 14 HR HOA Meeting FH 4pm
 Mon May 28 Memorial Day-Office Closed
 Sun June 17 Father's Day
 Wed July 4 Independence Day-Office Closed
 Mon Sept 3 Labor Day-Office Closed
 Sat Nov 10 Welcome Back Dance FH 7pm
 Mon Nov 12 Veteran's Day Ceremony
 Sat Dec 1 Chorale Christmas Concert
 Sat Dec 8 Arts & Crafts Fair FH 8:30am
 Sat Dec 15 Holly Jolly FH



CLUBS & GROUPS

FH = Founder's Hall LB = Library
 AR = Activities Room MR = Meeting Room

African Violet Club: 2nd Thursday 2:30 pm AR
 (October-April)

Bingo: Wednesdays 10 am, and
 Thursdays 7:00pm - FH

Bocce Ball: Sundays 1:00 p.m. (N-A)

Book Club: 2nd or 3rd Thursday of the month
 1:30pm - LB (O-A)

Build Your Own Bones: Mon & Fri 11:00am AR

Ceramics: Thursdays 9 am - MR

Chorale: Tuesdays 3:30 pm, Thursdays 3:30 pm
 & Saturdays 8:30am FH (O-A)

Cribbage: Mondays 6:30 FH

Fiber Arts: Wednesdays 10 am - 2:30pm - MR

Fishing Club: 1st Monday each month 7-9 pm MR
 (November thru April)

Knit & Crochet: Tuesdays 9 am - MR
 (November thru March)

Lunch Bunch: 3rd Thursday, meet @ FH at 11 am

*All table games are listed on the Activities Calendar
 (O-A) = October through April

Mah-Jong: Sun, Wed, Thurs 12:30 FH Mon 10 am
 Tuesdays 7pm

Paradise Patchers / Quilting Club:

Monday 9:00 am - 3:30 pm - MR

Pickleball: Monday 3:30 p.m., Everyone welcome!

Pickle Pals: Tuesdays 10:00 a.m., All girls all play

Pot Luck Dinner: 2nd Tuesday of the month
 5:15pm FH - Sign up on bulletin board in FH

Shuffleboard: Saturdays 3:00 pm

W.A.M.B.A.M.: Thursday weigh-in 7:30 am -
 8:00-8:30 am meeting to follow - MR

Water Aerobics: Tues. & Thurs., at 9:15 am;
 Sat., 9:15 am FH pool with Betty Trimble;
 Mon. & Fri., 9:15 am FH pool with Dot Pansius

Yoga: Tuesdays & Fridays 8:30 am - AR Nov- Apr

**REMINDER: Senior Fitness Class***

B.Y.O.B. or "Build Your Own Bones" is a special class designed for those with limited mobility, allowing you to stay seated for all exercises. Is your back bothering you? Is arthritis a problem? Is your balance a problem? Our class follows video instruction with music and consists of core strengthening, stretching and chair dancing! Easy and fun!!! Please bring a small towel for stretching; everything else is provided. A one time fee of \$5.00 covers your equipment. Stop in any Monday/Friday, 11:00 a.m. - noon in the Activities Room, next to the library. ALL ARE WELCOME!!!! For further information, contact Bobbie Hutchinson at bobbie614@hotmail.com or 863-471-0655.



HR Residents Council

By: Jim Abercrombie, *Secretary*

The Meeting was called to order by President Jim Haas on March 13th at 10:15. Council members present were as follows: President, Jim Haas, Vice President, Glynda Sarno, Treasurer, Bob Master, council members, Susan Ingram, Sue Nicholson, and Karen O’Laughlin. Preparations for Holly Jolly scheduled for December 15th were discussed. Glynda Sarno was appointed chairperson for this year’s event.

Officers for 2018/2019

President	Jim Haas	863-382-1296
Vice President	Glenda Sarno	863-385-2534
Treasurer	Bob Master	863-382-4018
Secretary	Jim Abercrombie	320-267-6542

If you have any ideas, questions, concerns, or want to attend a meeting feel free to call us!

Have a great summer!



**Sebring Safe house Donations
Our Highlands Ridge Volunteers are:**

Arbor Green:

Norma Kessler 3027 Oakhill Dr. (863) 382-9448

Marina Cove:

Kathy Wood 2829 E Spinnaker Dr (863) 314-9643

Hidden Creek & Carter Creek:

Dot Pansius 3254 Pebble Creek (863) 385-4566

North Course:

Linda Sosely 4268 North Course Ln (954) 594-2324

Scottish Links & Oak Run:

Cathy Miner 3400 E St. Andrews Dr (863) 273-2854

REMINDERS:

We do **not** accept cash for **any** event, activity or service. Please make checks payable to “HRH”. You may write one check for multiple events.



AARP FOUNDATION FREE TAX HELP

Need Help With Your Taxes? AARP Tax-Aide is here for you. Our IRS –certified volunteers will help you file, for **FREE**. AARP Tax-Aide brings **FREE ELECTRONIC FILING** of your Federal tax returns and many state returns. The service is fast, accurate, and our IRS-certified volunteers are ready to help.

Local tax preparation sites are at: Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church*, the Grogan Center, 595 East Main Street in Avon Park (across from Avon Park High School) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm; Faith Lutheran Church, 2740 Lakeview Drive, Sebring on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; and American Legion Post 25, 1490 US 27, Lake Placid on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The service will be available at the Avon Park location from February 1 until April 17, at the Sebring location from February 5 until April 16, and at the Lake Placid location from February 1 until April 14th.

Please provide last year's Federal return as well as all the documents for filing your 2017 return. You must provide a copy of last year's State return if you want us to file for 2017.

Any questions, call Sam Cline at 317-523-9383.

*Note: This is a change from previous years

Thank You

A Huge Thank You from the KO LaVergne family. I feel so blessed to be a part of this great community, Highlands Ridge. Highlands Ridge is the most supportive, caring, loving community I have ever known. Thank You All for all the prayers, cards, phone calls, food, all the invitations to join you for food or fun, giving your help every time I needed it, all the times you take time to talk and ask how are you doing. You are the best. KO knew how to find a great place to live and I am so thankful he did.

You have made a very hard time of my life doable.

Thank You Again. Becky LaVergne and the LaVergne Family



For Sale

Bargains

For Sale

White Frigidaire 10 cu ft top freezer purchased new 2 years ago in excellent condition. No ice maker. Ideal for 2nd refig beverage storage. Asking \$150 OBO.

Call Janet Weidemann 304-8030.

Makita Slide compound saw 10" mounted on Wolfcraft miter saw stand. Ridgid 3000# power wash new De Walt Spray Gun Husqvarna Back Pack Blower & Bench Model Drill Press. All in very good condition, please contact **Bob Kirkpatrick 863.257.0388**

Turtle Hitch Mount Cargo Box - Cargo Box tilts down for access to rear of vehicle. Secure Lock ensures gear is locked prior to driving. Carries 13 cubic feet of cargo. Wired tail-lights and license plate adapter. Roughly 54" long x 25" wide x 24" high. Like new.

Contact Ron Robinett @ 863-385-8206

Glass Top Rattan (light colored) Table w/6 chairs (blue fabric) Very Good Condition \$300 Please contact **Martha or Jim Carpenter 863.402.1806**

Jet 3 Ultra Motorizer Mobility Scooter. Gently Used New Battery \$500 **Call Larry Musch (863) 273-8595**

Brass Cart \$30, Glass Dining Table w/6 Chairs \$200 Please Contact

Rusty Rhonemus (765) 749-4592

Rusty.rhonemus@gmail.com Photos are available on myhighlandsridge.org.

Wicker Dining Room Furniture—white wicker table, glass top with 4 chairs (cushions are washable) 2 white wicker shelves 6ft tall (1 for flat wall & 1 corner shelf both approx. 36in wide. \$350 or obo. **Please contact Bill or Jean Rapp (863) 402-1982.**



Keep Paradise Clean Next Clean-Up

HIGHLANDS RIDGE RECYCLING

Glass Recycling

Did you know that most glass is INFINITELY and COMPLETELY recyclable! This means that food-grade glass can be recycled again & again & again! This reduces energy usage and extends the life of equipment, such as furnaces. Recycling glass can offset your carbon footprint, if you recycled just 5 glass containers a week, you'd be saving enough energy to power a compact fluorescent bulb for 35 hours! Unfortunately there is NO glass recycling in Highlands County, recyclers who don't accept glass have good reasons for it. The weight of glass makes it too costly to transport, glass breaks at curbside pickup and can injure workers, as well as contaminating other recyclables and additionally that it is too difficult to separate out different types and colors of glass. Colored glass needs to be recycled with like colors only, certain minerals are added to create different glass colors, and so the same color glass needs to be recycled together in order to produce like colored glass. Pyrex and other types of tempered glass are not recyclable, because of how they are manufactured to withstand high temperatures. Glass is great for upcycling projects. If your recycler no longer accepts glass, don't despair. Instead, get crafty. Glass jars and bottles can be used for decorative storage, to make candleholders or vases, as well as coin banks or bird-feeders. And if projects aren't your thing, consider donating the jars to a local school or art program. Do not worry though, I will still be asking the county when we can expect our glass recycling program to start again.



The next road cleanup will be:

April 20 ~ 8:30 a.m.

Call us (863) 471-1115 and put your name on the crew list so we can get the correct number of vests and garbage pickers! Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. in Founder's Hall compliments of the

Residents Council. The Highlands County Recycling Department provides all the equipment and garbage bags. **All we need is You!** You can walk or use your golf cart.

Gardening gloves are recommended.

PLEASE COME HELP!

We cover all of Powerline Road, from Arbuckle Creek Road to Highway 17, Whitehouse Road and Altwater Road from Highway 17 to our North Course Entrance Gate.



Adopt a Road
PROGRAM

Paradise to the Rescue!

Please Donate your ...

Manufacturer's

**Coupons
In Administration
For Troop's
Families**

**Box Tops & Labels
for Education
In Administration**

**Aluminum Can Tabs
In Founder's Hall
for Shriner's
Children's Hospital**

**Domestic Violence
Shelter
Women's Shelter
To HR Volunteers**



Library News

By: Dot Pansius, *Resident*



All books, CD's and movies removed from the library will cost \$5.00 and have to be signed out starting immediately. APRIL FOOLS! Everything is still free and does not have to be signed out. Our library is still run on the honor system. Thank you, all of you that donate many wonderful books and movies.

First on tap this month is "Flood" by Stephen Baxter. The Washington Post called it horrifyingly believable. It starts out with four hostages rescued who have been held captive for five years. They vow to always keep in touch, never realizing the world changes that have taken place. Water is rising everywhere. First beach front disappears, then cities, then states. The struggle for high ground and survival deals with all aspects of human nature. Our Highlands Ridge Book Discussion group found it to be an interesting and compelling read.

"Mistress of Nothing" by Kate Pullinger was recommended by one of our book club members. The book is based on the real lives of Lady Duff Gordon and her maid. It takes place in Victorian times and provides an interesting picture of life in Egypt. Although the two women forged a bond in a strange land it could not overcome the power of race, class and love.

Robert B. Parker's "The Hangman's Sonnet" by Reed Farrel Coleman is a Jesse Stone novel and takes us again to Paradise, a seacoast town outside of Boston. It provides some fast reading entertainment as it is sprinkled with murder, alcoholism, politics, criminals and celebrities.

Our nonfiction offering this month is "Cut Loose – jobless and hopeless in an unfair economy" by Victor Tan Chen. "Years after the Great Recession, the economy is still weak, and an unprecedented number of workers have suffered long spells of unemployment." The book provides "a vivid and moving account of the experiences of some of these men and women by studying a historically important group: autoworkers. There well-paid jobs on the assembly lines built a strong middle class in the decades after World War II. But today they find themselves beleaguered in a changed economy of greater inequality and risk, one that favors the well-educated – or well connected."

We've the movie "Quartet" on DVD. Directed by Dustin Hoffman and starring Maggie Smith, Tom Courtenay, Billy Connolly, Pauline Collins and Michael Gambon it relays the story of friends, all residents of Beecham House, a home for retired musicians. "Quartet is a joyous and entertaining film about music, love and second changes."

The Highlands Ridge Book Discussion Group will meet on April 12 at 1:30 in the library. Book to be discussed is *The Color of Water* by James McBride.



Attention Poker Players

Texas Hold'em ladies tournament Monday 5:00 p.m.

Omaha Hi/Lo all players Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Texas Hold'em all players Thursday 6:00 p.m.

All games are held in the Activities Room.

Tournaments are held every week if we have enough players and no other conflicts.

Please call or e-mail Steve or Georgia Trissell for details. 863-873-2676 - strissell2835@comcast.net

PINOCHLE *anyone?*

PINOCHLE

We play PINOCHLE on Monday evenings at Founder's Hall. We are looking for people interested in playing a fast moving and exciting game of cards. We are willing to train new players or retrain former players. If you are interested in this game, please contact one of the following individuals:

Dan Seymour at 658-1377

Dot Pansius at 385-4566

George Thompson at 314-8968

This is a fun loving group, and we would be glad to have you give this game a chance.



Chaplain's Chat

By: Rev. Bill Commons, *Resident*



NOT BETTER (than others), JUST FORGIVEN

“... Christ died for our sins”(I Corinthians 15:3), “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins...” (I John 1:9)), “.....receive forgiveness of sins...by faith in Me” (words of Jesus Christ in Acts 26:18).

We are all sinners, rebels against the love and authority of the Creator-God. **We become true Christians when we confess our sins to Christ, believe that he died on the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins and rose from the grave after three days, receiving His free gift of forgiveness and eternal life, thus becoming children of God by faith.**

“Only sinners, saved by grace (God’s undeserved favor)” - we are not worthy, only He is. We do not become better than others, we are never more than forgiven sinners.

The most famous Christian of the first century was the apostle Paul, who called himself “the very least of all saints” (Ephesians 3:8). The word “saints” in the Bible means believers in Christ, forgiven sinners. If he was the least, can any of us think we are better?

Sometimes devoted believers, followers of Christ, start thinking or acting like we are better than others. We may give the impression of feeling “holier than thou”, which is a sin against God and man. If I/we act that way, please let us know and try to forgive us for the sin of pride, as we come back to Jesus for His forgiveness and cleansing. We are still learning to follow Jesus in true humility, so please be patient with us□!

As forgiven sinners, we only desire to share the joy of forgiveness and Calvary love with others. If I/we offend you in any way by sharing the JOY OF KNOWING JESUS with you, please let us know so that we may ask your forgiveness. **We are like beggars who have found Bread, and want to share it with others.** Jesus said He is the BREAD OF LIFE, offering to fill the spiritual hunger in your heart, as he has in ours. He created us and yearns for a loving relationship with us! Open your heart to Him!



Chorale News

By: Karen O’Laughlin, *Secretary*



EASTER! Every year it falls on a different date, but it is celebrated by Christians all over the world on that same date. I never really understood why the scholars go by the first full moon following the vernal equinox instead of a fixed date like we do for Christmas.

Easter is also often associated with the time that our HR snowbirds, and many others in nearby areas, leave us for their northern nests. We hate it when you leave. But on the other hand, US 27 gets a lot less busy as do the restaurants in our area. But we miss our friends, nonetheless.

It’s also a time that we in Chorale have a reprieve from our rehearsals. We hope those of you who attended our most recent Spring Concert enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed performing it for you. We love the support we receive and the kind accolades that go along with our performance. There is a lot of talent in our wonderful little village. And I’ll bet there are more of you out there wanting to join us. So, please, don’t be shy! We do have a lot of fun. Yes, it’s a commitment, but it becomes a family committed to your enjoyment.....and we do have fun! So if there is anyone at all just thinking about it, please contact our leaders, Sue Shellhammer or Cindy Becker for a quick and easy tryout and you can join us in October when we begin rehearsals for our Christmas Concert.

Also, a **HUGE THANK YOU** goes out to all our **2018 Patrons**. We set a new record on the number of Patrons that support us. We couldn’t do what we do without you!

HAVE A HAPPY and BLESSED EASTER! And safe travels to all those leaving us soon!

CRITTER CORNER

By: Denise Beuparlant, *Resident*



Spring is right around the corner and time for spring spruce up! That goes for your dog or cat as well. Recently I was asked what the major problem we see in rescue, especially when we take in a senior pet when an owner can no longer care for them. Well this may seem repetitive, unfortunately it is still heartworm disease. Many people still believe their “house pet” is not at risk, when in fact it only takes one mosquito to cause heart worms. Preventative is relatively inexpensive and easy to give. In addition we also see other parasites, including hookworms, roundworms and tapeworms. These parasites live year round in our yards where we never experience a hard frost to slow down their proliferation. Annual health checkups are essential for our pets. At that visit a heartworm test should be performed and a stool sample to check for parasites. Of course annual vaccinations updated and an overall check of your pet. Your veterinarian will also look for dental issues and discuss your pets diet. Obesity in our pet population is as much a problem as it is with people. Table food is not a healthy alternative for our pets because of increased fats and additives. Healthy alternatives are raw vegetables, which my dogs receive as treats instead of biscuits. Most dogs love raw vegetables, especially carrots and green beans. The internet and Pinterest are full of recipes for healthy treats for dogs. My dogs always know when I am baking for them, staying close by the oven where the yummy smells are coming from. One of the benefits of a healthy diet is good skin and coat condition.

Last, but certainly not least, is your pets appearance! A good bath will help loosen and remove dander, undercoat and any dirt and pollen your dog has accumulated over the winter months. If bathing your dog is too difficult a task for you there are many reputable groomers in the area. They will not only bathe your dog, but will also clip nails, clean ears and eyes and check your dog for unusual lumps. Our dogs always emerge from the groomer looking like they feel good about themselves again. It is certainly the first thing we do with a rescue dog to give them a clean start. In conclusion please remember to pick up after your dogs, as it keeps our environment safer and far healthier for all our pets. All dogs must be leashed in Highlands Ridge, and please practice good dog etiquette by keeping your dog under control. As we age our skin becomes more fragile and something as simple as an exuberant dog jumping up can cause lacerations. Dogs and cats can bring so much joy to our lives and for many of us it makes our home complete, so we owe it to them to take the care of them like a family member.



**CONSTRUCTION
ZONE
NO THRU
TRAFFIC**



Yes, we have broke ground on HRH’s common area/amenities new maintenance building. The staff is excited and can’t wait to move all their “stuff” into this building.

Please do not drive through this area. There are many roofing nails and other dangerous items in this area. Also, please, please do not throw your yard debris or any other “trash” into their dumpster. The construction company will bill HRH if there is debris in this dumpster when it makes it to the landfill. There are three dumpsters available and one at the north course. Management is aware that the dumpsters are full especially at this time of the year but be respectful if the dumpsters are full! HRH does call Waste Connections for extra pulls on these dumpsters this time of year. Thank you in advance for reading this article.

Pickleball News: *by Bob Cisler*

Pickleball

END OF THE SEASON/END OF AN ERA

The Highlands Ridge Pickleball Club held their "End of the Season" Banquet on Monday, March 12th. Club members shared memories of the start of Pickleball in Highlands Ridge and celebrated Championships for the Women's and Men's Central Florida Pickleball League teams while feasting on BBQ chicken, pulled pork with savory sauces, baked beans, coleslaw, corn bread, garlic toast, Key Lime pie and scrumptious "Almond Joy" and Cranberry Walnut Cookies.

The Women's team, captained by Susan Price, were seeded #1 going into the end of the season "shootout" at Del Webb--Orlando and they proved why they earned the #1 seed during the season by going undefeated at the shootout and winning gold medals and the 2018 Championship Banner.

The Men's team, captained by Mickey Dorman, were seeded #3 going into the end of the season "shootout" at Del Webb--Orlando and they played at a high level during each of their 4 matches and sweeping Tanglewood in the Championship match with the #1, #2, #3 and #4 teams all winning their matches to win gold medals and the 2018 Championship Banner. Of note, the Women's team, of course, had no men participating yet the Men's team would not have earned the Championship without the play of Susan Shaner and Susan Price. Indeed, Tanglewood fielded 8 men to compromise their "best 8" for the Championship match--HR had 6 men and 2 women. HR has many ladies that play at a wonderfully high level. Both Championship Banners will be proudly displayed by our courts.

During the banquet Karen Dorman was awarded the Most Improved Lady Award, Doug Murdock was awarded the Most Improved Man Award and John Marshall was awarded the Newcomer Of The Year Award. More important, each was awarded the coveted "Claussen Pickle--Ball" trophy!

Many key members of our HR Pickleball Club will not be returning to HR next season--either to move closer to family and especially grandchildren, or for personal reasons. These key members will not return: Candy and Brian Gilles, both instrumental in the start and perpetuation of PB in HR, Judy and Dave Majick, Dave was an ambassador for PB throughout central Florida and taught the game to many players, Judy a long time board member and avid player, Susan and David Shaner, two high level young players who were instrumental in leading their teams to Championship seasons. We wish all of these couples the best, thank them for wonderful memories and urge them to "keep hitting the ball hard!" They will be missed. So, it is an end of one era yet that means a new era awaits. The courts are ready,--come and be part of, in my opinion, the best group of people in Highlands Ridge.

Cherish everyday.- Bob Cisler



Hello 
WELCOME

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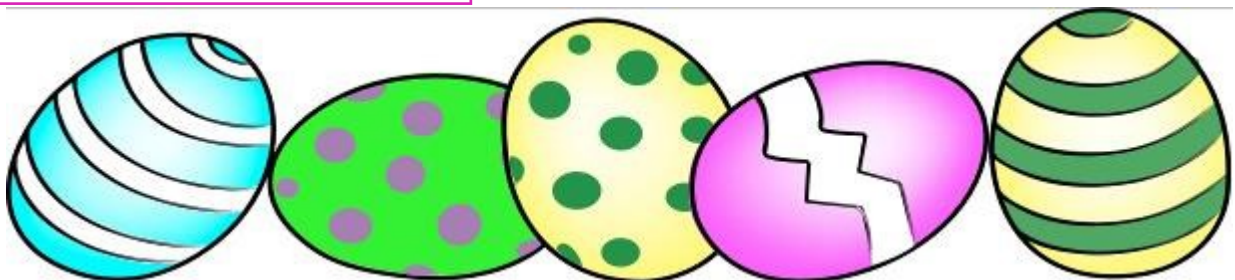
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Please remember all gazette submissions must be emailed to: gazette@myhighlandsridge.net and are due by the 15th of the prior month to be in the next gazette. Please make sure that your articles are no more than 300 words.

04/01 Susan Beaudoin
 04/01 Billie Jean Henderson
 04/01 Faith Palmer
 04/02 Diane Ciemniewski
 04/02 Barb Depont
 04/02 Kathy Howitt
 04/02 Cathy Lukovich
 04/02 Sheila MacNaughton
 04/02 Martha Morrill
 04/02 Veronica Panzica
 04/02 Patricia Peddle
 04/02 Delores Spence
 04/03 Paul Scruton
 04/03 Patricia Wilson
 04/03 Bob Cook
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 04/06 Rodney Cooper
 04/06 Jean Todd
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 04/07 Debra Bonaventura
 04/07 Richard Olenick
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 04/08 Barb Tallman
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 04/11 Nancy Deuster
 04/11 Kathy Fenoff
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 04/13 Mary Ann Heestand

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 04/14 Larry Ferrigan
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 04/18 Jerry Donna
 04/19 Betty Heary
 04/19 David Lock
 04/19 Ed Lynch
 04/20 Dot Howell
 04/20 Robert Jaekel
 04/20 Jane McDonough
 04/20 Tammy Naleid
 04/20 Berry Wiley
 04/20 Jesse Taggart
 04/21 Vicki Cairns
 04/21 Ray Gardner
 04/21 Sherry Scharbert
 04/21 Ed Stouder
 04/22 Mary Ann Wick
 04/23 Mike Beaudoin
 04/23 Richard Peterson
 04/24 Mary Boswell
 04/24 Richard Dipascale
 04/24 Willie Grotjohan
 04/24 Selena Demchak
 04/25 Doug Ebeling
 04/25 Betty Partridge
 04/25 Gary Raasch
 04/26 Richard Chiarandini
 04/26 Dick Jett
 04/28 Randy Odell
 04/28 Randy Colglazier
 04/29 Nancy Niehoff
 04/29 Mitzi Norris
 04/30 Judy Vekasy



04/01 Bill & Sue Purdy
 04/02 James & Martha Carpenter
 04/02 Ralph & Judy Mete
 04/03 Dale & Sara Brown
 04/03 Berry & Linda Wiley
 04/04 Wayne & Lorraine Jones
 04/04 Tom & Gwen Mischke
 04/04 Marc & Diane Steullet
 04/04 Phillip & Ginny Sloan
 04/05 Dick & Penny Jett
 04/07 John & Susan Ingram
 04/07 Cecil & Terry Rose
 04/10 Bill & Jean Knowles
 04/10 Duell & Marsha Wise
 04/11 Bill & Loretta Heidank
 04/11 Gale & Judith Morris
 04/13 Tom & Glenys Weatherell
 04/16 Richard & Mary Peterson
 04/18 Mike & Lynn Schaefer
 04/18 Neil & Mary Walker
 04/20 Harold & Sherri Scott
 04/21 Kent & Louise Henrich
 04/22 Virgil & Betty Partridge
 04/23 Richard & Ruth Swearingen
 04/25 David & Sharon DeSchane
 04/25 Bill & Jan Tucker
 04/27 Ron & Mary Ann Beyer
 04/28 Gary & Nancy Owens
 04/30 Robert & Diann Jaekel



Happy Anniversary!



Highlands Ridge HOA

By: Willie Faye Myers, *Secretary*

The Annual Meeting of the Membership of the HRHOA was held on Monday, March 12, 2018 with a Capacity audience in attendance. Brief highlights of the meeting included the following Information.

—Joe and Pam Pace (J&P Properties) were recognized. Joe gave an update of the progress being made on both courses. Most of the hurricane damage has been cleared. Extensive sodding, irrigation repairs/upgrades, and weed eradication are ongoing. Paradise Grille is being restored and remodeled with plans to reopen in the fall.

—Ronnie Carter, HR resident and realtor, gave an audio/visual presentation on the homeowner market, including prices, average number of days on the market, from 2016 to current.

—Birdy Whitehouse, Property Manager, reported the following information.

Another hurricane debris burn will occur later this spring. Construction will commence shortly on a new HRH maintenance building. HRH has purchased the website www.highlandsridge.com and contracted with a webmaster to help develop and design the site. The site will keep residents informed of activities and events available to us. Speeding cars AND carts are one of the major concerns reported to the Administration Office. Please Slow Down. Newly elected Board members for a 2 year term are Dale Huffman (treasurer), Nancy Owens (assisting secretary), Dave Smith (Covenants compliance), and W F Myers (secretary). Incumbent member Pat Shine was selected as President, Walt Chevillet as Vice President, and Rick Nicholson will chair the ACC.

Our mission is to maintain Community standards while improving the quality of life for resident members. Our goals are the following:

- bring back a full service restaurant to Highlands Ridge
- add authority to the HRHOA via Covenants changes or ownership
- continue to improve the quality of our golf courses
- improve signage in and around Sebring and Avon Park
- attract new residents to Highlands Ridge

We hope to see you at our next Board meeting on Monday, April 9, 4pm in Founder's Hall.



Marina Cove HOA

By: Bobbie Hutchinson, *Secretary*

GREETINGS to all Marina Cove Residents & Guests!

Listed below is your newly elected Board of Directors with phone numbers:

Dwight Griffin*	PRESIDENT	859-333-7150
Bill Rapp	VICE PRESIDENT	863-402-1982
Sherri Scott*	TREASURER	405-464-7391
Bobbie Hutchinson*	SECRETARY	863-471-0655
Bill Commons	DIRECTOR	717-770-0582
Kathy Fenoff	DIRECTOR	863-314-6306
George Lawson*	DIRECTOR	863-314-0310
Rick Wilson*	DIRECTOR	813-765-1707

(* indicates full time residency)

Please contact any board member with your concerns, suggestions, etc.

SPECIAL THANKS to the 25 residents in attendance at our last MCHOA board meeting! Next meeting is Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Activities Room.....please join us!

REMINDER: please turn in your completed Paradise Grille surveys; give them to any board member or place in MCHOA drop box near Founder's Hall.



LGA NEWS

By: Deborah Reimer, *Vice President* HRLGA18@gmail.com



While I was up north, the gals played the Round Robin tournament in February. A special thanks to Karen Swan and Sharon Borrell along with their committee members. Congratulations to **Round Robin Tournament** 2018 winning teams.

	Blue Team	Green Team	Red Team	Purple Team
1st	Chiarandini/Epling	Lathwell/Lawson/Edwards	Bowman/White	Morishige/Schaefer
2nd	Greene/Norris	Miner/Palmer	Baker/Haviland	Pinckney/Eakin
3rd	Trissell/Wade	Carter/Martens/Edwards	Myers/Thompson	Hover/Hyslop

Next on our agenda in early March was the **Choose-Up Tournament** played on the North course. Cheryl Racicot, Willie –Fay Myers along with Nancy Owens organized the golf and a luncheon in the Tavern. Another successful event. Below are the top three teams winning teams.

1st	Rhoda Thiel	Ann Meyer	Sue Thompson	Nancy Guillemette
2nd	Judy Burmaster	Nina Greene	Storme Odell	Cindy Becker
3rd	Dawn Quay	Rose Epling	Shirley Anthony	Cathy Miner

You may be reading this article during our **Member-Guest, Classy Lassies Tournament**. On March 26th Bobbi Pinckney and her band of volunteers are working hard to provide day to remember. You probably will see our Members and Guests wearing their finest golf apparel on the South Course.

Mary-Ann Wick, Lucille Ferrigan and Sue Hover are organizing the **LGA 9 & 18 Mixer** on April 2 at the South Course. Lunch will be up at the Tavern. The sign-up sheet is at the North course with a cost for the lunch at \$7 per player. Now for our last special event of the season, the **Farewell Scramble**. It will take place on April 4 at the South Course. After an 8 am shotgun, we will travel up to the Tavern. After our meal, we will end the season with our final meeting. Check out the poster for the details and sign up and pay at the North Course.

Looking way into the future, the 2018 **Divorce Open** will be held on Nov 15 & 16 for golf then followed by a banquet on Nov 17. This year we are making an Early Spring Registration Form available until April 30th. Anyone and especially for those who do not return soon enough for the October 12th Early Fall Registration can sign up now. As always, early registrants will be eligible for the gift basket/s drawing. Look for the registration form as an insert in the Gazette.

A few Golf Housekeeping reminders:

Your \$20 LGA dues are due by 31 March. Checks should be written to HRLGA and submitted to our Treasurer Georgia Trissell. In the South Course Sign Up room, the weekly game sign-up sheets are available for a couple of weeks in advance. A few days before the game day, the Pro Shop will send you an email with your starting time. Please contact the Pro Shop right away if there is a change in your schedule. We now have a wait list. Please cancel early enough so these people can be given the opportunity to play.

At the South Course, the first group will take the Closest to the Pin boxes out and if you are the last group, please remember to bring them in. This pertains to all games played, even on Shelter Day. Though all the money collected on Shelter Day is donated, we still want to recognize all the winners.

On hole # 13 (SC), if the Red tees are not at the front of the tee box, then the first group will move them forward. Keep the drop zone where it is marked. On hole # 18 (SC) there is no hazard or drop zone in front of the green.

If the South Course Pro Shop is closed, slide all scorecards and CTP cards into the Green Box located in the Sign Up room. Remember to enter your own scores. This applies for play at both courses. The game results are now posted at both the North Course (by the back door) and in the South Course Sign Up room.

I will be signing off as the LGA VP, so this will be my last Gazette article. Let me leave you with my own quote, A Good Day on the Golf Course is a really Good Day.



MGA News

By: Phil Hunter, Secretary



Congratulations to Gary Dobereiner on another successful Member/Guest Event! Results will be in next month's article.

Be sure to sign up for the "Going Away Scramble" to take place on Tues., April 3rd at 8:00 on the South Course. Lunch is included and we'll hold our MGA final meeting at that time.

Our last Play with a Pro event will be April 12th at 8:00 at the North Course. Reminder that there will be 4 white and 4 gold "Pat Price Points" winners after this event. Each will receive \$100, \$75, \$50, or \$25.

Here are the results of the March Play with a Pro. Thanks to Sam Cline and Kim Lathwell for organizing it and for preparing all the stats involved with this great event!

White Flight: O'Laughlin/D.Brown 63, Shine/Hobbs 63, Tirdil/Hubinek 67, Colglazier/Swan 67, Dillman/Freeman 68

Bob Morrill was individual winner with his Pro.

Mixed Flight: Danielson/K.Smith 56, Gray/Olesek 62, Ken Smith was individual winner with his Pro.

Gold Flight 1: Bennett/Wade 56, Hall/Moore 61, Mitchell/Niehoff 61, Ferrigan/Dobereiner 62

Jerry Bennett was individual winner with his Pro.

Gold Flight 2: Sharpe/Olnhausen 52, Quay/Owens 56, McDonnall/J.Brown 57, Sosely/Epling 58

Ralph Sosely was individual winner with his Pro.

White Skins: Danielson, Dundas, Hobbs, Morrill, Shine, Walker, Freeman

Gold Skins: Dobereiner, Beyer, K.Smith (2), Owens, McDonnall

The right club?

A hacker was playing so badly that his caddie was getting increasingly exasperated.

On the 11th, his ball lay about 160 yards from the green and as he eyed up the shot, he asked his caddie, "Do you think I can get there with a 4-iron?"

"Eventually," replied the caddie, wearily.

<http://www.golf-monthly.co.uk/features/the-game/20-best-golf-jokes-90683>





9-Hole LGA News

By: Janet Weidemann, Vice President



February's Valentine tourney results had Kathy Nowicke, Gloria Chiarot, Laraine Valentine and Dawn Quay in 1st place after a card playoff to determine the winner of a tie. In 2nd place was Mary Ann Beyer, Rhode Thiel, Barb Depont and Ann Evans. The third place went to the team of Janet Weidemann, Sherry Baltzell, Eileen Larue and Pat Dobereiner. Another tie occurred and the team of Cheryl Shine, Jo Cline, Phyllis Reeves and Anne Shearer won 4th place followed by our 5th place team consisting of Martha Killoran, Sue Hall, Mary Jacobs (with Shirley Myers as blind draw).

In the more recent St Patricks tourney, in the first flight, 1st place was Jim & Patti Haas and Jim & Betty Ashcraft. 2nd place went to Don & Carla Hebert and Mike & Susan Beaudoin. Tied for 3rd place were three teams: 3rd-Martha Killoran & John Owens (with Terry Kalis and Glynda Sarno as blind draw); 4th-Bob & Cindy Becker and Ron & Eileen Larue; 5th-Dick & Shirley Myers and Rita Beck (Gloria Chiarot-blind draw).

The second flight was won by Bob Roberts & Glenna Foreman and Vern & Elaine Hall in 1st place, followed by Gordon & Gloria Chiarot and Roger & Dawn Quay in 2nd place with 3rd place awarded to Jim & Sue Hitmar and Wes & Martha Jerome. With a tie for the next spot, 4th place went to Frank & Kate Lalamita and Richard & Anne Shearer and 5th place to Terry Kalis & Glynda Sarno and Al & Barbara Dupont.

With the approach of spring, we find our activities beginning to wind down. Day One of our farewell tournament begins Monday, April 9th and culminates with Day Two of the tourney and our Farewell Luncheon and meeting on Wednesday, April 11th. Hope to see you all there. Please remember to sign up for this event in the screen room!



**Gasparilla Event
Fun had by All**

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Keep the beautiful photos coming!! Thank you to the residents who submit their photos. Baby sandhill crane: south course by Jim Koenig; Turtle on the south course crossing creek to pond by Louann Taggart; Trees by Louann Taggart on the south course between 3 & 4.



It is Turkey Season in Florida! We do have a lot of "Turkeys" in Highlands Ridge!! Turkey on the south course on hole 2 by Rod Erickson.



Recycle Me

