

Gazette



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WHATS HAPPENING?

Sat	Dec 1 st	Chorale Christmas Concert FH 7 pm
Fri	Dec 7 th	Bulk Trash
Sat	Dec 8 th	Arts & Crafts Fair FH 8 am
Sat	Dec 8 th	Holly Jolly FH 7 pm
Sun	Dec 9 th	Christmas Caroling AR 3 pm
Tue	Dec 11 th	HRRC Meeting AR 10:15 am
Tue	Dec 11 th	MC HOA Meeting AR 4 pm
Mon	Dec 17 th	HR HOA Meeting FH 4 pm
Thu	Dec 20 th	Coffee w/ Birdy AR 9:30 am
Thu	Dec 20 th	Movie & Ice Cream AR 1:30 pm
Fri	Dec 21 st	Bulk Trash
Mon	Dec 24 th	Christmas Eve
Mon	Dec 24 th	HRH Office Closed
Tue	Dec 25 th	Christmas Day
Tue	Dec 25 th	HRH Office Closed
Tue	Dec 25 th	Christmas Potluck FH 2 pm
Mon	Dec 31 st	New Year's Eve
Mon	Dec 31 st	HRH Office Closed
Mon	Dec 31 st	New Year's Eve Dance FH 8 pm

FUTURE EVENTS

Tue	Jan 1 st	New Years Day
Tue	Jan 1 st	HRH Office Closed
Fri	Jan 4 th	Bulk Trash
Thu	Jan 10 th	One Blood Drive FH 12-5 pm
Mon	Jan 14 th	HR HOA Meeting FH 4 pm
Tue	Jan 15 th	HRRC Meeting AR 10:15 am
Tue	Jan 15 th	MC HOA Meeting AR 4 pm
Tue	Jan 15 th	Potluck FH 5 pm
Thu	Jan 17 th	Coffee w/ Birdy AR 9:30 am
Thu	Jan 17 th	Movie & Ice Cream AR 1:30 pm
Fri	Jan 18 th	Adopt-A-Road
Fri	Jan 18 th	Bulk Trash
Thu	Jan 24 th	Lunch & Learn with Allen Co. Investments AR 11:30 am
Sat	Jan 26 th	Broadway Palm Dinner Theater (Mid-life 2 Musical)
Mon	Jan 28 th	Seminole Hard Rock Casino

Save the Date

**Movie & Ice Cream List****Dec 20th—Book Club**

Plot : Four lifelong friends have their lives forever changed after reading 50 Shades of Grey in their monthly book club.

Actors: Diane Keaton, Jane Fonda, Candice Bergen, etc.

Jan 17th—Won't You Be My Neighbor

Plot: This documentary paints a portrait of the philosophy and work of cardigan-wearing children's entertainer Fred Rogers, star of the popular show "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood."

Director: Morgan Neville

**Feb 21st—Wonder**

Plot: A young boy with a facial deformity begins the fifth grade in a mainstream school with the help and support of his mother and father. The challenges he faces helps others learn to not judge a book by its cover.

Actors: Julia Roberts, Jacob Tremblay, Owen Wilson, etc.

ALL HIGHLANDS RIDGE RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIATE IN THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING on Sunday afternoon, December 9, 2018 at 3 pm. We will form golf-cart caravans taking singers to homes all over HR, spreading Christmas joy to many of our neighbors, hoping especially to encourage those who are lonely, grieving or ill.

Meet at the Activities Room at 3 pm to get the song sheets, gift books, and to form caravan groups. COME PREPARED TO SING YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS SONGS!

If you plan to participate, please inform Chaplain Bill Commons (717-770-0582; haguefish@gmail.com) in advance, so we can know how many to divide into singing groups and to prepare enough song-sheets 😊. (Sponsored by the Highlands Ridge Christian Fellowship)



Arts and Crafts Fair
Saturday, December 8, 2018

9:00 am—1:00 pm

All spaces are full. Please come on down to Founder's Hall to find something for you or a Christmas present for someone else.

New Year's Eve Dance

Founder's Hall – December 31st
Music by TOO SMOOTH

Cost pp is \$15. Table of 8, \$120

Tickets are on sale now

Checks only. See flyer for more info.



Valentine's Day Dance

Saturday, February 16th, 2019
Founder's Hall ~ 7:00-10:00 pm
Featuring Tom McGannon
Desserts only, BYOB



Bus trip to
**Tampa Seminole
Hard Rock Casino**
Monday, January 28,
2019

\$26.00/person

Pick up at FH: 8:00 am
Drop off at FH: 4:30 pm
Please come to the
office to sign up!

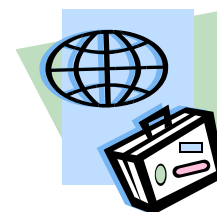


Saturday, January 26th, 2019
\$85.00/person

Sign up by January 4th, 2019

Leave FH at 8:40 am & return 6:20 pm
In Fort Myers, FL

**7 Night
Danube River Cruise
Information Day**



Thursday, February 14, 2019

Andrew Baldini with Collette

Tours will be doing a presentation in the
activities room at 4:00 pm.

He will be discussing a 7-night Danube River
Cruise departing September 25 - October 5,
2019.

If you'd like to participate please come into or
call the office to sign up!



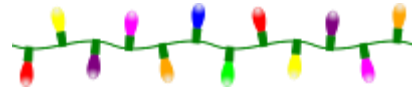


Our third annual Quarter Raffle will be coming up on Feb. 10, 2019 at Founder's Hall at 1 p.m. We usually try to have about 70 items for this raffle. It's an event that Marina Cove puts on to benefit a couple of organizations in the area. That will be determined at the BOD meeting in Nov. In order for this to come together we are looking for baskets that you may have around that you are willing to share with us. WE will fill them and make them ready for the raffle. If you are coming down from the north this is a good time to check your homes and see what is available. If you already live here then we would like to be able to reuse one you received last year.

Other chances for all to help is to bring something from your area such as sports memorabilia, maple products, cherry boxes, etc. that you think others would like. If shopping isn't your thing we will always be happy to receive a monetary donation so that we can purchase gift certificates and other items that will help fill the baskets. Details will follow as we get closer/

Thanks for all your previous support.

Kathy Fenoff, Marina Cove Board of Directors



Nancy Guillemette and Linda Hathorn will be offering a Power tex class sometime in January if there is enough interested. You will come away with your own creation. The cost is \$100 including all supplies. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Nancy (nancyg4022@gmail.com) or Linda (lfhathorn@gmail.com)



Please come out and enjoy some Karaoke with the Poolside Boys!

Sunday December 9, 2018
Founder's Hall Gazebo 2pm to 5pm
Everyone is Welcome!



REMINDERS:

Please keep in mind that the speed limit is **20 miles per hour in Marina Cove & throughout Highlands Ridge.**



Burled Oak Dining Set
6 Cane-back chairs, 1 extra leaf
Lighted China Cabinet w/
felt lined drawers. Loads of
Storage!

\$500 obo **Contact Lew & Jenni (608) 438-6637**

Frigidaire— 95 pt. Dehumidifier
Brand new, 3 speed Retail
\$449.00 \$200 **Contact Gary Thompson (847)525-4533**

Local Resident Jim Jackson in Arbor Green has worked in the Antique Business for 50 years. Has bought & sold collectables in London & Shipped European Furniture to Houston for auction. Mr. Jackson has also had his own Antique Store where he refurbished antique furniture & appraised items for insurance purposes. **If anyone would like an evaluation on any items please contact Jim (303) 883-3775**



2008 Yamaha Golf Cart
New Batteries, Side Curtains &
Lights \$2500 **Contact Jerry McDonnell (419) 583-6558**

High Top Bar with 2 swivel bar stools, Perfect for outdoor use! \$120 for bar & stools (40in x 5Ft & 30in depth) Please contact **Phyllis Reeves (757) 291-2709**

CRITTER SITTERS of Highlands Ridge. Professional care of your pets in your home by Hank and Denise Beauparlant, available year round. Pet First Aid and CPR certified. Years of dog and cat rescue experience. Professional relationship with on call veterinarian. For information call **Denise at 863-368-0208 or Hank at 863-449-0086**

2008 Harley Davidson Anniversary Street Glide
10,652 miles \$10,000 Please Contact **Dennis Donoghue (248) 701-9714**

I am the organist at a small church in Sebring & we are looking for a home organ for use during church services. The instrument we need should have 2 full size keyboards and a full pedal board of more than 10 pedals. If you are aware of someone who may have a home organ they'd care to donate or sell, please call **Cindy Becker at 920-379-1161.**

LOST Golf Club— Ladies Rampant Slot Line Sand Wedge, IRREPLACABLE!!! If found please call **Janet Weidemann (863) 304-8030**

2014 Yamaha Cart 48v \$4000
4 stall golf bag & custom shoe storage \$125
Maytag Portable A/C unit \$75
Cherry/4 glass panel book cabinet \$125
2 wicker patio/porch Rocker-Gliders \$50 each
10" Taskforce Table Saw w/stand \$50
7" Taskforce Tile Wet Saw \$40
Wonder Wheeler Beach Buggy \$40
California King bedspread w/ 3 pillow shams \$25
Please contact Ray Gardner (863) 385-2969 or (859) 583-9221



January 18, 2018 8am Meet at FH

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. **PLEASE COME HELP!** We cover all of Powerline Road, from Arbuckle Creek Road to Highway 17, Whitehouse Road and Altvater Road from Highway 17 to our North Course Entrance Gate.

**Paradise to the Rescue!
Please Donate your ...**



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

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| 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 Chil-
dren's Hospital | Domestic Violence
Shelter Women's
Shelter
To HR Volunteers |

- 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

**Annual Big Brothers
Big Sisters Christmas Toy Drive**

**Make this Christmas special for a little boy or a little girl!
Please stop by the Administrative Office & pick a name tag or two off of our tree. You may purchase a gift (unwrapped), a gift card or make a donation. Please make checks payable to BBBS. All gifts and donations are due by December 14th.**





Book Club News

By: Mary Harden, *Resident*

Last month we read about the lynching of University of Florida student Jamal Cousin, the president of a prominent black fraternity, which kick-starts bestseller James Grippando's gripping 14th novel "A Death in Live Oak" about lawyer Jack Swytek. Mark Towson, the head of a white fraternity, and two of his fraternity brothers become suspects and Jack does his best to defend Mark and determine the truth. Mark's FBI agent wife goes undercover to investigate white supremacist terrorists who might be linked to the murder. A story that could have been lifted from today's headlines, we had a lively discussion and all rated the book a 4 or above!!

For our December selection, we have chosen a book that's also the beginning of a movement. Bill McKibben's novel *Radio Free Vermont* entertains and expands upon an idea that's become more popular than ever--seceding from the United States. In the story, he follows a band of Vermont patriots who decide that their state might be better off as its own republic.

Bill is one of my favorite non-fiction authors. His first book, *The End of Nature*, was released in 1989 and has been published worldwide in over 20 languages. He has been writing books for 25 years ranging in topics from global warming to local communities to genetic engineering to family. "Radio Free Vermont" is his first novel.

Our meeting will be held on December the 13th, at **3:00 pm**. All are welcome to join us! The library will have a table at the Elegant Junque Sale in March of 2019. Stop by and pick up a selection for your home library!!



Chaplain's Chat

By: Rev. Bill Commons, *Resident*

O Holy Night

RECEIVE THE GREATEST CHRISTMAS GIFT

After all the gifts have been opened and enjoyed, will the **best GIFT** be left "under the tree"? Celebrated, sung about, admired, but unclaimed?

God invented Christmas, to give **JOY TO THE WORLD** in the person of His eternal Son, who came as His love gift, to deliver us from sin and judgment and to change us from rebels into His own very special children.

The Bible says, "...to all who RECEIVED HIM (Jesus Christ).... He gave power to become children of God...." (John 1:12). WOW!

Rather than only admiring, celebrating and singing about God's Christmas love gift to you, *receive Him into your life as your personal Savior and Lord, for that is who He is! He loves you with an everlasting love and is searching for your heart. How amazing that the Creator of the universe desires a personal relationship with you!*

*Bow the knee, confess your need, believe **He died for your sins personally and then rose from the grave**, accept Him in a decision of faith, give Him your heart and begin to celebrate life's greatest adventure as a child of God forever!*

This can be your most joyful Christmas ever, so **don't leave the Gift "under the tree"**.

If I can help you understand this amazing truth from God's Word, or if you want assistance in making this life-changing decision, just call me at 717-770-0582 or email me at haguefish@gmail.com.

I am here to help you have a very Merry Christmas – Chaplain Bill Commons

CRITTER CORNER

By: Denise Beauparlant, *Resident*



The holidays are filled with joy, laughter and time spent with family and friends. In the bustle of the season, however, it's easy to forget these festivities aren't always pet friendly.

Keep These Items Out of Reach for Better Holiday Pet Safety

1. HAZARDOUS GIFTS

If you have a pet, you're on high alert when hazardous items come into your home. Be as conscientious as a guest by adding special tags to gifts that aren't pet friendly. This way homeowners can place the gift out of reach of curious cats and dogs.

2. RIBBONS, BOWS & OTHER DÉCOR

Gift ribbons and similar decorations can cause serious harm if pets ingest them. "As soon as gifts are opened, take the ribbons and wrapping paper away," advises Dr. Boland. "Ribbons can be fun, but your dog or cat needs to know how to play with it properly. My cat used to love pieces of wrapped up, crinkled up paper. So you can play chase and fetch with appropriate toys, but not ribbons."

Household décor with moving or hanging pieces or electrical components can also pose a threat.

3. HOLIDAY PLANTS

Holiday plants can also pique your dog or cat's interest. "At Christmastime, you may have new plants in the house that are poisonous to pets. Lilies are particularly toxic to cats, and azaleas, holly, mistletoe and poinsettias are also poisonous. Be cautious and aware of what's coming into your house.

4. CERTAIN INGREDIENTS

Holiday meals contain some favorite, seasonal ingredients, and although they're tasty to humans, many are harmful to pets. When creating your holiday pet safety checklist, include ingredients to keep away from your dogs and cats.

You already know to avoid chocolate, but you'll also want to watch for grapes and raisins in your cookies and cakes. Dr. Boland says, "These ingredients can be, unfortunately, toxic for our pets." **Xylitol** is another toxic ingredient to avoid. This sugar alternative is found in an array of foods from cake and cookie mixes to **yogurt** and **peanut butter**.

5. PURSES & COATS

Your pet's curiosity and the scent of new guests may lead them to root through your guests' purses or winter coats. This can seem harmless and even comical at first, but your dog or cat could find medications, chewing gum and other harmful items.

According to Dr. Boland, "Ibuprofen is poisonous to our pets and the decongestants we use in the winter months are also toxic." Not to mention, most chewing gums contain xylitol, which we've already stated is toxic. Place your guests' belongings in a coat closet or a closed-off room where your pets won't have access.

By following the above holiday safety tips for pets, you can avoid many seasonal risks to your pet and enjoy a fun-filled, safe holiday. It's always wise to prepare for the worst-case scenario, though, so keep your veterinarian's number in your phone and ask about their emergency procedures during the holidays.

We also recommend adding the number for the **Animal Poison Control Center (APCC)** to your phone: **(888) 426-4435**. They're available 24/7, including holidays, though they may charge a fee for any services provided.



Chorale News

By: Karen O'Laughlin, *Secretary*



DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR? Yes, another Christmas season is fast approaching and by the looks of the stores and what's been playing on the radio and television you'd think it was just around the corner! But what really is fast approaching is the Highland Ridge Chorale Annual Christmas Concert!!! Actually, by the time some of you read this column it'll already be a memory. The concert is as early as it's ever been,

DECEMBER 1, at 7pm in Founder's Hall. A second concert will be performed on December 2 at 4pm at Emmanuel United Church of Christ off of Hammock Rd in Sebring. We've all been hard at work learning our new music, which we hope you will enjoy! It will truly be "In the Spirit of Christmas". We have some wonderful musicians joining us again as well and will be a "harp-felt" concert!! It will be beautiful!!

We have also been fortunate enough to welcome several new members to our musical family. We are truly blessed to have you join us and hope you love it as much as we do!

Our 2019 Patron's Program will be beginning in January and the information should be at the concert and in the HR office very soon. We hope to have your continued support to help us buy new music and equipment, like the new sound system and lighting in Founder's Hall that helps out everyone!

Thanksgiving is also very early this year and this is definitely a time to give thanks for the life we live and the friends and neighbors we are surrounded by here in our wonderful little community known as The Villages of Highlands Ridge. We are all truly blessed. Here's hoping your Thanksgiving was filled with love.....and lots of good food! **Merry Christmas! AND GOD BLESS US EVERYONE!!!!**



HR Residents Council

By: Jim Abercrombie, Secretary

MAY YOUR DAYS BE
Merry & Bright

Final plans are in the works for another great Holly Jolly event on December 8th. Santa has cleared his schedule so he can join us for the evening festivities. There will be room in the sleigh for Mrs. Claus to join him. The Council is working on some surprises for the evening. We have many new members in the community and you don't want to miss this Holly Jolly time. If your grandchildren are here Santa would love to meet them. Hope to see you there. Enclosed with candles is an envelope for Resident's Council dues. \$10 per couple or \$5 single. This helps defray costs for many activities in the community. We appreciate your support.

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

Attention Cribbage Players

Recruiting cribbage players for Monday nights at 6:30 in Founder's Hall. Lessons available and we are willing to teach for a lifetime enjoyment. All are welcome!

Please call John & Pat Yirsa at 517-899-8195

Mah-Jongg Classes for Beginners

November 9, 16 & 30th &
December 7th
1:30pm to 4:00pm Founder's Hall

Please Call Mary McLean (863) 385-2568

Sherry Sharbert (863) 453-3458

Eileen Cifelli (484) 343-3920

If you are interested please come and join!

BOCCE BALL IS BACK!

Please join Ralph & Judy Mete
Every Sunday, Starting November 4th at 1pm
Everyone is welcome!

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.



WORLDWIDE FOOD SERVICE SAFETY MONTH

Worldwide Food Service Safety Month is an annual designation observed in December. The goals of this month are to focus on keeping food safe as it's prepared in the service industry, as well as reminding us to be safe and cook properly when we are making our own food at home. This month, the holidays are in full swing; so what better a time than now to practice safety while cooking?

Did you know more than 200 diseases are spread through food alone? One in ten people become sick every year from eating contaminated food, and 420,000 people are killed from these illnesses every year. These types of illnesses can cause long-term health problems if they don't kill you, so it's very important to be adamant about consuming safely prepared food. Children younger than 5 years old are at the highest risk. The good news is, proper food preparation can prevent almost all foodborne illnesses. Remember, everyone has a role in keeping food safe. It's a shared responsibility among the government, producers, food service industries, and consumers.

HOW TO OBSERVE

Use #WorldwideFoodServiceSafetyMonth (we know, it's long) to post on social media about how you are participating in WFSSM. Here are some food hygiene tips for next time you're cooking a meal at home.

1. Wash your hands with warm water and soap before handling food and make sure you thoroughly wash them again when you're done.
2. If you have any cuts on your fingers, hands, or wrists, cover them with bandages before handling food.
3. Thoroughly wash your fruits and veggies with clean, warm water before use.
4. Make sure your cooked foods are separate from raw foods to avoid harmful bacteria cross-contamination.
5. Use fresh utensils when switching from raw meat to other foods during preparation.
6. Regularly wash your dishcloths and towels in the kitchen using hot water to keep as clean as possible.

Do not undercook your meat. Use a thermometer to make sure you get it right!

HISTORY

Worldwide Food Service Safety Month has been recognized since December 1994 to remind everyone that food safety is crucial when cooking for others and ourselves.

There are over 1,500 national days. Don't miss a single one. Celebrate Every Day with [National Day Calendar!](#)



Winter fitness: Safety tips for exercising outdoors <https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/fitness/in-depth/fitness/art-20045626>

Dressing in layers, protecting your hands and feet, and paying attention to the forecast can help you stay safe and warm while exercising outdoors in cold weather.

Frigid temperatures can discourage even the most motivated exercisers. Without motivation, it's easy to pack away your workout gear for the winter. But you don't have to let cold weather spell the end of your fitness routine. Try these tips for exercising during cold weather to stay fit, motivated and warm.

Stay safe during cold-weather exercise

Exercise is safe for almost everyone, even in cold weather. But if you have certain conditions, such as asthma, heart problems or Raynaud's disease, check with your doctor first to review any special precautions you need based on your condition or your medications. The following tips can help you stay safe — and warm — while exercising in the cold.

Check weather conditions and wind

Know the signs of frostbite and hypothermia

Dress in layers

Protect your head, hands, feet and ears

Don't forget safety gear — and sunscreen

Drink plenty of fluids

Putting it all together for cold-weather safety





The Ridge Report

By: Birdy Whitehouse, *Property Manager* ~ birdy@myhighlandsridge.com



Hello Everyone and Welcome New Residents of Highlands Ridge!

Welcome Back: We still have people strolling in from up north to enjoy Paradise!! There are lots of things to do here in Highlands Ridge, so, join the fun. Please check out page 2 for the many activities and events. Please note: if an event is advertised then we have tickets and/or sign ups are going on.

Attention Marina Cove Residents: The ad-valorem invoice is due January 1, 2019. This invoice will not be drafted. A \$45.00 late fee will be added to the amount due if not paid by January 1, 2019. Please pay with a check or money order. The new lot rent will take effect January 2019. Remember that Management must approve any exterior change to your home. This includes new landscaping, painting your shutters, driveway, and additions. The management request form is available in the administrative office. Please do not drive through any vacant lots or any other resident's lot; it is a violation against our Rules & Regulations. Management must also approve all new residents whether they are renting or buying a home in Marina Cove.

RV/Boat Storage Area: Don't forget the storage rents will increase in the upcoming year 2019. The small storage lot will be \$215.00 with tax and the large lot will be \$295.63 with tax. This invoice will be mailed out December 1, 2018 and is due by January 1, 2019. We can't draft this invoice so, bring in your check made payable to HRH.

FH Area: HRH management is currently looking for a company to install/engraved new memorial bricks around the fountain by the FH pool. If you already paid for a memorial brick, you will not have to pay again. If you are interested in a new memorial brick, please sign up at the office. Once, we have a definite price, size, etc., we will notify you.

We have temporary parking available at FH parking lot. YOU MUST register the vehicle with the office or you will risk the chance of being towed at your expense. Thank you for your cooperation.

Signs: Management is working diligently on replacing our street signs within the community. Thank you for your patience. Remember, Highlands Ridge Villages and Marina Cove **does not** allow any type of sign in your yard except a sign advertising that the home is for sale.

Speed Limit is 20 mph! The speed limit throughout the community is 20 mph. We have many residents, guests, and vendors walking, cycling, etc. It is important for everyone's safety to abide by the posted speed limit.

Thank You: I would like to say "Thank you" to the HR residents who volunteered in November's Adopt A Road cleanup! **Let's Keep Highlands Ridge Beautiful!**

From the staff of Highlands Ridge Holdings, we want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





Welcome to Paradise



Besser, Larry & Pamela
2815 S Docksides Dr
Avon Park, FL 33825
(765) 730-1991 Larry
(765) 744-7331 Pamela
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Avon Park, FL 33825
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nadahlen@gmail.com

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Avon Park, FL 33825
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Resident updates



Cooper, Rod & Marilyn– No Northern Address
mccooper66@hotmail.com
(715) 563-2373 (Rod)
(715) 563-2372 (Marilyn)

Peterson, Richard & Mary–New Phone & Northern Add.
40 Ponderosa Dr, Horseheads NY 14845
(863) 314-6494

Davis, AJ & Elke–New Northern Address
206 Clairmont Dr. Richmond, KY 40475

Prechel, Gary & Kaye– New Northern Address
N12090 Heafford Rd. Tomahawk, WI 54487
NO longer in use (715) 432-2433

Gardner, Terry– Phone Correction
(954) 868-1460

Ryan, Frank– New Address & Number
2815 S Mainsail Dr– Marina Cove
(863) 449-7402

Hebert, Don & Carla– New Phone
(863) 393-8443

Weber, Bill & Donna– No Northern Address
wweber919@gmail.com (Bill)
dweber53@yahoo.com (Donna)
(863) 402-2092 Home Phone

Jackson, Claude & Verian– Phone
(863) 304-8503 FL
(252) 838-1848 NC

Mete, Ralph & Judy– New Phone
(863) 314-6747

Olchak, Robert–New Phone
(301) 524-7325

Thank you



The Thanksgiving Pot Luck had an amazing turnout this year! 115 people came together to celebrate with great food, friends & games! Ralph & Linda Sosely would like to thank everyone who came & made the day so special!

To all my treasured friends & neighbors, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation for all the love & support I have received during the sudden passing of my beloved husband Ed Jewell– Roseann Jewell

They say "IT TAKES A VILLAGE".....how true that is. I'd like to thank everyone who helped make our "HAUNTED HALLOWEEN" a success!!! Rick & Patti Wilson, Dave & Dan Prickett, Kathy Fenoff, Denny Cox, Roger & Charlene Brelinski, Phil Hunter, Becky Thompson, Pat Yirsa, Dawn Collins, Ray Fort, Pam Pace, Angie Weaver, Pam Norris, Kathy Howitt, Elaine Wiener, John Marshall, Chuck Naida, Cheryl Shine and of course, Birdy, Candice, Lili, Rich, Omar, Robert and Frank. We'd also like to thank the three boards (Residents Council, HRHOA, & MCHOA) for their contributions which paid for our DJ, Rick Miller. Hope I haven't omitted anyone! -Bobbie Hutchinson

Wow! What a way to become a part of the "Medicare" plan!!! Thank you to everyone who kept the secret and showed up to make my day extra special. The food was outstanding thanks to Robin and it wouldn't have happened without Joe and Pam! All of the cards and special gifts were an extra plus and to my husband and BFF I love you both and am so blessed to have you in my life! Thank you everyone! Lou Ann Murphy

I want to give a HUGE thanks to all of you that donated items and checks to the hurricane Michael victims. I am sure it will be greatly appreciated. Thanks again, Elaine Hall



Highlands Ridge HOA

By: Willie Faye Myers, *Secretary*



Greetings from the HRHOA Board of Directors.

At our November meeting, Birdy Whitehouse apprised us of the following Community information and updates. Tables have been ordered for Golfside Villas pool to replace those damaged by wind. Drain leak under the road has been repaired and culvert at bridge has been replaced (both on Carter Creek Drive). Authorization has been received to purchase a new projector for Founders Hall. HRH is still waiting on bids for street sign(s) replacement for those damaged by Hurricane Irma. At our November meeting.....

2019 Annual HRHOA Assessments will be mailed to HRHOA members in December. This year, billings will include arrears charges if the 2018 Assessment was not received. A Standard Covenant Nonconformance letter has been adopted and approved by the Board for uniformity for compliance violations. Upon review by Counsel, the form letter will be disseminated to the Community. Regarding Covenants Compliance.....Did you know?.....———2.15. Statues, Figurines, and Lawn Ornaments. Outside statues, figurines and lawn ornaments are permitted only in flower or plant gardens. They shall be no larger than three (3) feet in height and two (2) feet in width. Each lot shall have no more than two such statues, figurines, or lawn ornaments.....

Our next Board meeting will be on December 17 at 4pm in Founder's Hall. We hope to see you there.

Merry Christmas from HRHOA Board of Directors

Our adopted Mission is to "maintain Community standards while improving quality of life for residents".

Our goals: Bring back a full service restaurant in Highlands Ridge ☐

Add authority to the HOA via Covenants changes or ownership

Continue to improve the quality of our golf courses ☐

Assist in establishing and maintaining a full spectrum website for Highlands Ridge

Improve signage in and around Sebring and Avon Park

Attract new residents to Highlands Ridge



Marina Cove HOA

By: Bobbie Hutchinson, *Secretary*



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM MARINA COVE !!!!

Once again the Holidays are upon us.....lots of exciting activities scheduled for everyone to enjoy! Holly Jolly, Choral Christmas Concert, Arts & Crafts Fair, dinners at The Grille on Wed & Fri, lunches at The Tavern. Our Food For Families food drive on November 10th was a great success: approximately 2 tons of food and over \$300.00 in monetary donations were collected and presented to the Avon Park Church Service Center! Thanks to all who participated!

Our monthly **MCHOA** board meeting held Nov 13th was attended by only 2 guests; we changed our meeting time from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the hopes of getting more resident participation.....what can we do to achieve this? We will vote at our next meeting on the time of day for future meetings.

Next **MCHOA** board meeting is Tuesday, Dec 11, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the Activities Room; please join us for the latest Marina Cove news!



LGA News

By: Mary Ann Beyer, *President*



Our Welcome Back Golf Tournament was held on Wednesday, 11/7 and the Brunch on Thursday, 11/8. The Events Committee hosted a "Pajama Party" for our brunch which was lots of fun and very delicious (prepared by the Events Committee) and well attended with everyone showing up in their nightwear including a Lucille Ball impersonator with hair rollers and all! Cindy Becker reported that there were 34 golfers, despite the heat.

- Closest to the Pin: #4 - Judy Burmaster, #7 - Janet Weidemann
 Chip-In's: #3 -JoAnn Wise, #5 -Eileen Larue, #5-Carolann Smith
 The game was "Criss Cross" and the results were:
 7th Place - Doris Morenzoni
 6th Place - Cheryl Shine
 5th Place - Eileen Larue
 4th Place - Carolann Smith
 3rd Place - JoAnn Wise
 2nd Place - Carla Hebert
 1st Place - Janet Weidemann



Our Christmas Golf Tournament is on Weds., 12/12 and the Luncheon at Chicane's is on Thurs., 12/13. Be sure to sign up in the screen room at the South Course.

We will be hosting a Snack Bar at the Art's & Craft's Sale on Dec. 8 at Founder's Hall with the proceeds going to Paradise Pride. There will also be baked goods for sale. Carolann Smith is in charge of this event.





LGA NEWS

By: Nancy Owens, *Vice President* HRLGA18@gmail.com



Did you think we would just dip our toes into the LGA season? Oh no we did not...we jumped into the deep end headfirst...

We kicked off our 2018-2019 season with our Round Robin November 5, 7 and 9th. Big Call out and Thank you to the ladies that pulled off a great tournament followed up by awards and brunch afterwards on the 9th. Karen Swan, Sharon Borrell, Marilyn Videbeck and Jo Johnson, Thank you all for your hard work and making it a fun tournament.

The Winners:

Flight	1st place	2nd place	3rd place
Blue	Hobbs/Jarrett	Norris/Swan	Chiarandini/Oleseck
Red	Myers/Haviland	Racicot/Henrich	Owens/Edmonds
Green	White/Freeman		
	3 way tie for 2nd and 3rd Place: Kalis/Baker, Morgan/Pinckney and Anthony/Guillemette		
Purple	Marten/Wick MA	Miner/Thiel	Sienkiewicz/Schaefer

We then went right into our Welcome back Scramble, luncheon and meeting. Big thank you to Joan White and Pam Wick for helping to organize, decorate and ensure the event ran smoothly.

The Winners:

1st Place	Deb Reimer	Ann Nielson	Shirley Anthony	Shelia Bowman
2nd Place	Pam Wick	Carole Cardwell	Nancy Guillemette	Joan White
3rd Place	Karen Swan	Terri Griffin	Ann Palmer	Judy Edmonds
4th Place	Becky Hobbs	Martha Spung	Lucille Ferrigan	Jo Ellen Lathwell
5th Place	Ann Myers	Mary Ann Beyer	Marg Freeman	Marilyn Cooper

After Golf we held our annual welcome back LGA Meeting and a few of the Topics discussed were:

1. New USGA Rules coming in January, for a complete list visit USGA.org or check out the September Gazette at highlandsridge.com.
2. There was a discussion on posting the scores on a timely basis. The LGA voted to have members volunteer for getting the score cards and posting. Sign up sheet is at the South Course.
3. Talked about a Ringer Board; Cost \$5 to join, Please pay Georgia Trissell and Nancy Owens will create and place at the South Course. LGA days only eligible to post and it will run from November 19th - April 1st. Winners will be announced at our Farewell Scramble on April 3rd.
4. Lots of discussion on "Tee it forward" using the teal tees. While no decision has been made we will be using the Combo tees for a couple of shelter day play and the Board is asking for your comments/ suggestions/ ideas be sent into us.
5. LGA will put on a "share the wealth" raffle at all major events and half the proceeds will go to Paradise Pride on Behalf of the LGA. During the Welcome back scramble we had 3 lucky winners. Shelia Macnaughton won twice while Jane Anne Dunham and Rhoda Theil also shared in the wealth. We donated \$80 to Paradise Pride.

At the time that I'm writhing this we are all focused on Thanksgiving. As you read this, may you have had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your friends and family. Also as you read this, Choose up event is December 5th - so hurry and make sure you are signed up. 8am Shotgun Start at the North Course with Lunch Following. The Christmas Scramble is December 10th, 12:30 pm Shotgun start at the South Course with Dinner at 6:00pm, leaving us time to swap out golf shoes for our Stilettos!

LGA play times

South Course: 9am November thru April

North Course: 8am April thru December, then 11:00am January and February

"The only thing a golfer needs is more daylight." Ben Hogan



MGA News

By: Phil Hunter, Secretary



Congratulations to the Divorce Open Committee for another great event! And congratulations to this year's winners. Good luck as you start the process of organizing next year's Divorce Open. We'd like to welcome our new members: Mike Buff, Don Flotow, John Ingram, Keith Gregory and Larry Baker. Anyone who would like to join the MGA can leave a check for \$20 made out to "HRMGA" at the Pro Shop at the N. Course. Be sure to include your e-mail address and the tees you will be playing: Blended or Gold and if you're 80 the Gold blended

Our next events are: 2 Man Scramble at the S. Course on Tues., Nov. 20 at 12:30
 2 Man BB at the S. Course on Tues., Dec. 4 at 8:00
 2 Man Alt. Shot at the N. Course on Thurs., Dec. 20th at 12:30

Your MGA Board has made the decision not to put out Closest to the Pins anymore due to the complexity of having blended/gold/gold blended tees this year. However, that means we can pay out more places with the money that used to be paid for CTP winners.

Our Welcome Back Scramble/Dinner/Meeting was well attended with 90 players on Nov. 8th. Here are the 11 teams that "got in the money".

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| 1. Jerome, Niehoff, Baltzell, Griffin (-11) | 7. Danielson, Beyer, D. Jones, Quay (-8) |
| 2. Ferrigan, Wucher, Sosely, Bennett (-10) | 8. Gray, Lynch, Weidemann, Gardner (-7) |
| 3. Flaherty, Colglazier, Haas, Albrecht (-9) | 9. Hunter, Tucker, Master, Racicot (-6) |
| 4. Trissell, Hufford, Ingram, Wise (-9) | 10. Moore, Dunham, Murphy, Sharpe (-6) |
| 5. Gilles, O'Laughlin, Freeman, Birkholz (-9) | 11. Morenzoni, Owens, Rose, Becker (-5) |
| 6. Beaudoin, Ostapowicz, Hobbs, Olmhausen (-8) | |

Pictured Divorce Open Winners

From left to right; Deborah & Ken Reimer, Deb & Phil Hunter, Lucille & Larry Ferrigan, Marian & Gary Nielson, Mary Ann Wick & Terry Gardner, Storme & Randy O'Dell.



Annual "Snow Crow" Canadian Tournament & get-together

Hello fellow Canadians,

Time to dress up in your best red & white for Golf & Pizza
 We'll celebrate together our good fortune to be here in HR
 Saturday February 9th, 2019

Step Aside Scramble at the South Course ~ 12:30 Shotgun (Registration at 11:30)
 Cost \$10/person ~ Green fee for non-member \$35 plus tax



Let us know if you will be joining for golf and pizza or just pizza. Social time at Founders Hall immediately following golf ~ 5:45 (BYOB). Before 10 Feb 19, please register at Canadiansnowcrow@gmail.com. After 5 Jan 19, deposit your \$10 (cash only) in an envelope with your name and contact information into **Fran Wright Snow Crow drop box at the entrance to 3405 E Gleneagles Drive.**

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863-655-0005

2018 Highlands Ridge Residents Council Presents Holly Jolly Christmas Party Saturday, December 8th



Community Luminary Lighting
Common Areas light at 4 p.m.
Resident's Homes light at 5 p.m.

Christmas Tree Decorating

All trees have been assigned, 1 to each village
If you would like to help decorate a tree in
Founder's Hall, call a member of the HRRC
Deadline for decorating is December 1st

Meet Santa at Founder's Hall Parking Lot 6 p.m.
For a Parade through the community
Watch the Parade from your driveway
And join in as Santa passes by

Santa Parade returns to Founder's Hall by 7 p.m.

Christmas Party begins at Founder's Hall at 7 p.m.
Christmas cupcakes should be brought to
Founder's Hall Meeting Room by noon on
disposable plates

B.Y.O.B. - Coffee will be provided



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