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March

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Fri	Mar 1	Bulk Trash
Sat	Mar 2	St. Patrick's Day Celebration FH 7pm
Sun	Mar 3	HRCF Meeting AR1 3pm
Mon	Mar 4	MC HOA Annual Meeting FH 5 pm
Tue	Mar 5	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Thu	Mar 7	One Blood Drive FH 12-5 pm
Sat	Mar 9	Elegant Junque Sale FH 8am
Mon	Mar 11	HR HOA Annual Meeting FH 4pm
Tue	Mar 12	HRRC Meeting AR1 10:15am
Tue	Mar 12	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Thu	Mar 14	Bemer Technology w/ Kathy Howitt AR1 10 am
Thu	Mar 14	African Violets AR1 2:30pm
Fri	Mar 15	Bulk Trash
Fri	Mar 15	Adopt-a-Road FH 8 am
Sat	Mar 16	Chorale Spring Concert FH 7 pm
Sun	Mar 17	St. Patrick's Day
Tue	Mar 19	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Tue	Mar 19	Potluck FH 5 pm
Wed	Mar 20	First Day of Spring
Thu	Mar 21	Coffee with Birdy AR1 9:30 am
Thu	Mar 21	Movie & Ice Cream AR1 1:30 pm (First Man)
Tue	Mar 26	Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group AR1 2 pm
Tue	Mar 26	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Fri	Mar 29	Bulk Trash

Save ^{the} Date



FUTURE EVENTS

Tue	Apr 2	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Sat	Apr 6	Going Away Dance FH 7 pm
Sun	Apr 7	HRCF Meeting AR1 3 pm
Mon	Apr 8	HR HOA Meeting FH 4 pm
Tue	Apr 9	HRRC Meeting AR 10:15 am
Tue	Apr 9	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Tue	Apr 9	MC HOA Meeting AR 4 pm
Fri	Apr 12	Bulk Trash
Tue	Apr 16	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Tue	Apr 16	Potluck FH 5 pm
Thu	Apr 18	Coffee w/ Birdy AR 9:30 am
Thu	Apr 18	Movie & Ice Cream AR 1:30 pm
Sun	Apr 21	Easter Potluck FH 2 pm
Tue	Apr 23	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm
Fri	Apr 26	Bulk Trash
Mon	Apr 29	Seminole Hard Rock Casino Trip FH 8 am
Tue	Apr 30	Ice Cream Truck FH 2-4 pm

Movie & Ice Cream List



Mar 21st—First Man
Plot: A look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the legendary space mission that led him to become the first man to walk on the Moon on July 20, 1969.
Actors: Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy, Pablo Schreiber, Kyle Chandler, Ciarán Hinds, Ethan Embry, Jason Clarke, Corey Stoll



Apr 18th-Johnny English Strikes Again
Plot: Due to a cyber-attack, undercover agents of the British secret service are compromised and their only hope is Johnny English. Coming out of retirement, Britain's greatest spy employs old-school methods to conquer modern technology and save the country.
Actors: Rowan Atkinson, Olga Kurylenko, Ben Miller, Emma Thompson, Jake Lacy, etc.



SAVE THE DATE !
 Thursday, Friday, Saturday
 November 21,22 & 23
2019 Divorce Open





Learn the Hula

Try something new and fun for the New Year!

Everyone Welcome
Every Friday in March
at 2:00 pm in the AR 1

Please come to the office to sign up!

For any questions please contact Ruthie Thiel at (419) 294-3423



Come donate blood at our **One Blood Drive**
Thursday, March 7, 2019
FH 12-5 pm
Please come to the office to sign up!

Highlands Ridge Elegant Junque Sale

Founder's Hall
March 9, 2019
8am- 12pm

Please come out and find new treasures!
Concession provided by Maria Lock



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 into the office to sign up!



Don't forget to sign up in Founder's Hall for the **Annual Easter Potluck!**

Please remember to bring your own beverage, place setting, serving utensil and Dish!
Sunday, April 21, 2019

"Hold the Date"

North Course
Block Party

March 31, 2019

*More info to come



Bemer Technology for Health: Expand Your Thinking w/ Kathy Howitt

Bring a friend and learn about this life changing device to improve health, Bemer!

Improve your: Concentration and Mental Acuity,
Cardiac Function, Endurance and
Energy Nutrient and Oxygen Delivery.

Reduce your: Stress

Bemer is a German engineered product to improve blood flow. This PEMF (Pulsed Electro Magnetic Field) device is FDA approved and used in over 150 countries. It is just being successfully introduced to the USA. Come for a brief explanation, testimonies and a chance to try Bemer. Enter to win a free week of Bemer rental.

Thank You

To the Residents of Highlands Ridge:

For the past five years I have had the pleasure of organizing the Employee Appreciation Luncheon and Gift Card event. This year I received calls and donations needing to be picked up by residents that I did not know or hadn't ever met which tells me the new people are getting involved which is great. It is such a good event and to see our community come together to make every person who has something to do with Highlands Ridge know they are cared about is wonderful. It is just a "feel good all over" time for me and makes me proud to live here. I truly believe that if these individuals know we care about the job they do and are happy to see them that they will take pride in what they do. Remember to smile, wave and say "thank you" when you see them. It's contagious so they will in turn smile and wave more to us. Thank you so very much for making this day special and for donating to the cause. I am happy to tell you that this was the biggest year yet in the amount of donations I received. I am certain that the 30 workers that received envelopes are very thankful for their jobs and the wonderful people who live here. With the turmoil and condition of our country and with the recent tragic event in Sebring it is wonderful to see our neighbors let people know we care and make this a "very" special day for our employees. Thank you to the ladies that helped me feed the workers – the food was delicious and I know the workers enjoyed it. I want to thank my money collectors for their hard work and for going the extra mile to get as many donations as they could. I hope you will all continue to remember this event every year and make it special.

Lou Ann Murphy



Schwinn Trike \$150; Ezip Electric Powered Bike \$300 **Please Contact Bill Eaton (812) 736-2596**

FREE Portable Potty (Brand new, never used) and a walker with Wheels **Contact Bill Taulane (863) 658-2193**

2003 Chevy Silverado—half ton, \$3,000 negotiable **Please Contact Don or Laurie Flotow (863) 657-2488**

High Top Bar with 2 swivel bar stools, Perfect for outdoor use! \$100 for bar & stools (40in x 5Ft & 30in depth) **Please contact Phyllis Reeves (757) 291-2709**

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

Black & Decker leaf blower, 5 cubic foot freezer, 6ft silk flower tree, Small microwave oven & stand. Make offer on items, **Please contact Karen Bohn (863) 385-0970**

Wearever 7 pc cooking set \$20; Noritake fine chine service for 8 \$110; Shop-Vac 14gal \$50; Kenmore Upright Sweeper \$50; Makita 10" Miter Saw \$40; Shark Vac/Steamer \$40; Leaf blower \$10; card table w/ 4 chairs \$35; New Home portable sewing machine \$55; large roasting pan \$5; ninja master prep set \$29; **Please Contact Sue Davis (260) 820-1038**

LENOX "Eternal Gold" china (dishwasher safe) 6 - 5 pc. Place Settings plus 11 extra serving pieces. Best offer. Lenox Crystal Stemware - wine/water - 6 each. Best offer.
EZ Inflatable Guest Bed powder coated steel frame. Self opens & closes. Used 3 times. \$300. Assorted wine, cocktail & margarita glasses. **Please call Dawn Collins at 863-657-2357 to set up an appointment.**

Adopt A Road

Our next Adopt A Road will be held
March 15, 2019

Founder's Hall 8:00 am

We appreciate all your help

Please come by the office to sign up!

Help us keep Paradise Beautiful!



Glass Recycling

Highlands County Landfill

There is a bin available for glass recycling at the landfill. Anyone that wishes to recycle glass can bring it to the landfill located at 12700 Arbuckle Creek Rd, Sebring, FL



What are the Benefits of Recycling Hazardous Waste?

Hazardous waste reuse, recycling, and reclamation can avoid environmental hazards, protect scarce natural resources, reduce the nation's reliance on raw materials and energy and provide economic benefits.



Environmental Benefits

There are several, interrelated environmental benefits of recycling hazardous waste including: reducing the consumption of raw materials, reducing pollution, reducing energy use and reducing the volume of waste that must be treated and disposed of. The extraction, refining, transportation and processing of new raw materials can have a significant impact on the environment. Recycling hazardous waste can mean less air, water, and soil pollution associated with these practices. Also, recycling can reduce emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs). When hazardous wastes are recycled, less energy is needed to obtain raw materials and to manufacture products. When energy demand decreases, fewer fossil fuels are burned and less GHGs are emitted into the atmosphere, which can help lessen the impacts of climate change and decrease air pollution. Finally, by recycling hazardous wastes, less hazardous waste is sent for treatment and disposal. This means less need for hazardous waste landfills and incinerators, as well as a decrease in energy used for those systems, which leads to less pollution.

Hazardous Waste can be disposed of at the Highlands County landfill located at 12700 Arbuckle Creek Rd, Sebring, Florida 33870.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

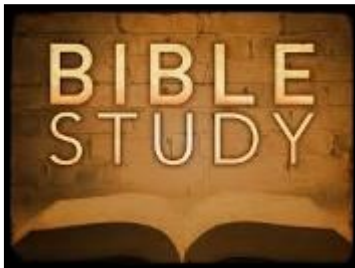
Join the AARP Tax-Aide Team in Avon Park. AARP Tax-Aide is a program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS.

The local Highlands County AARP Tax Aide organization is seeking volunteers for its free tax preparation program in Avon Park. Participation as an AARP Tax-Aide volunteer provides opportunities to: meet new people; help them with their taxes; make a difference in their lives; and feel a sense of accomplishment!

Our emphasis this year is recruiting volunteers with tax preparation experience to become counselors at the Avon Park location. However, we continue to seek volunteers to serve as client facilitators as well. Counselors should have familiarity with tax forms and computer operations.

Training will be provided for both positions. Volunteers are asked to work a minimum of four hours per week beginning in February and continuing through April 15.

If interested, call Sam Cline at 317-523-9383.



All HR residents are invited to the HRCF (Highlands Ridge Christian Fellowship) gathering on Sunday afternoon, March 3, 3 pm in the AR (Activities Room #1). Come for a stirring movie and popcorn, with warm and welcoming fellowship. Bring a friend who is lonely or hurting, WE CARE !

WAM-BAM Awards

Our Highlands Ridge weight loss group WAM-BAM held its award ceremony for the biggest losers for 2018. Monetary awards were given to Queen, Lucille Ferrigan, Jo Cline, Brenda Scruton, Carol Bailey and Deb Martens. This group meets weekly in Activities Room #2 on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 AM. We provide encouragement, motivation and education about living a healthy lifestyle. If you are interested in what we do, stop by and visit us or call Deb Martens (863-385-5031) for more information.



Thank you for the cards from friends of our mother, Eunice Marshall. She loved her bingo and gambling friends.

—Frankie Orpurt, Lou Ann Watson and Evelyn White




Thank you! Coupons for the military overseas. Bring in books of coupons before you head North. They have a 6 month expiration date. Thank you to the people that donate to pay for shipping. It now costs \$14.35. You may put coupons in my mailbox or on my porch.

Frankie Orpurt 3242 E. Pebble Creek Dr.



Highlands Ridge Going Away Dance Featuring California Toe Jam!



WHEN: Saturday, April 6, 2019
7:00-10:00 pm

WHERE: Founder's Hall

Light snacks provided
BYOB

CELEBRATE WITH FRIENDS AND
ENJOY ONE OF
HIGHLANDS RIDGE FAVORITE BANDS
DURING THEIR LAST PERFORMANCE!



CRITTER CORNER

By: Denise Beauparlant, *Resident*

Sadly there are many senior dogs needing homes in an area with a high population of senior citizens. Sebring Angels started a senior to senior program recently, where we encourage seniors to adopt these wonderful loving dogs for a minimal fee. Often we will here from seniors that they would love to have another dog, but worry about what will happen to the dog if something happens to them. We have adopters sign a contract that specifically states the dog will be returned to us if the adopter is unable to care for it. This program has been quite successful with numerous dogs whose owners have either moved to a nursing facility, or passed away. Of course we try to get these dogs placed as quickly as possible because we realize it is a difficult transition for them when they lose their human companion.

Another new program we have started is a foster to adopt. This allows a potential adopter to foster a dog to see if the relationship develops into one in which they wish to make the adoption commitment. Rescue dogs often take a while to settle in to their new surroundings. Our foster program has a message board, that is staffed by a great group of volunteers who have had a lot of experience with rescue dogs, and share their expertise with new fosters. As an example, our recent new pup member came to us at 7 months old. He was shy, with little confidence and not house trained. We began with a routine. Dogs thrive on routine. Each day there was improvement. He began to enjoy his walks, learned to show signs of wanting to go out and even began to learn basic commands. He's been with us a bit over 3 months now and he has just begun to play with toys and to bring them to us for interaction. Watching him grow and thrive is very rewarding.

Rescuing a dog is a commitment, but one that comes with so many rewards. The more fosters we have the more dogs we can save from the euthanasia list at Animal Services. Of course there is a constant flow of new dogs into the open admission county shelter, and as sad as it is, they do run out of space. If you would consider fostering even for a short period of time please call our foster coordinator at 863-703-2364, we always welcome new angels to our cause!



Chorale News

By: Karen O'Laughlin, *Secretary*

People, people who need people are the luckiest people in the world!

I just happen to watch "Funny Girl" again lately and young Barbra Streisand was singing this beautiful song. And guess what? It's also being sung by the HR Chorale at our Spring Concert! This is only one of several fun songs so I'm sure you all will love this concert! In grade school English class, we were taught that people, places and things are nouns. And this concert will be like "noun" other! Throughout the concert we'll be singing familiar songs that reflect our love of people, places and things! You will know the songs and you will want to sing along!! So, keep the date open! **March 16 at 7pm in Founder's Hall.** Our second concert will be at St. John Methodist Church on Sunday, March 17 at 4pm. It's the church directly behind Walmart in Sebring. Great way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

PATRON'S ~~~~ PATRON'S ~~~~ PATRON'S ~~~~ PATRON'S

OK, you've heard me talk about our **Patron Program** in past columns so it won't be a surprise that I'll continue to remind you all that we need your help! We're running a bit behind in our donations this year. So, please if you haven't had a chance to donate, please just stop by the office and fill out the forms they have or simply send a check to our treasurer, Jo Johnson. Her address is in the directory. Or if all else fails, just give a check to any chorale member you know and we'll be sure to get it to her. Thank you in advance.

We also want to thank you for showing your support for our annual Spaghetti Dinner that was held February 17 in Founder's Hall. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed serving you. It was delicious!! Our men know how to cook, right?

It's hard to believe that this season is almost over! Soon, many of our friends and neighbors will be returning north and we stop rehearsals until the fall. Until then we'll start thinking "I wonder what our Directors will choose for us to sing for the Christmas Concert?" We start early. We love it! We hope you do too! **See you at the Concert!!**



Book Club News

By: Mary Harden, *Resident*

On Valentine's day, the book club met to discuss the selection of the month, *The Last Days of Café Leila*, by Donia Bijan. A multi-generational saga of a family that emigrated from Russia to Iran and ran Café Leila, it is a tale of their three sons coming of age in Iran. Of the sons, only Zed remained in Iran to raise his own family, eventually sending his children to the United States to protect them from the Iranian Revolution. Decades later, his daughter Noor returns with her own daughter and tries to assimilate to the stringent Iranian customs.

Everyone enjoyed the book, a powerful story about the complexities of history, family, and social upheaval. The timely arrival of Cheryl and her daughter Meg gave us an opportunity to talk with them about books they recently read and enjoyed. Meg recommended *Educated* a memoir by Tara Westover and *Boy Erased* by Garrard Conley, now a major motion picture. Thanks for the recommendations Meg!!

For March, we will be reading *Life As We Knew It*, by Susan Beth Pfeffer. Told in a year's worth of journal entries, this heart-pounding story opens when an asteroid hits the moon and brings it closer to Earth. Life in Northeastern Pennsylvania will never be the same again for Miranda and her family, with the lack of food and extreme cold major threats to their survival. The book chronicles Miranda's struggle to hold on to the most important resource of all—hope—in an increasingly desperate and unfamiliar world.

We hope you can join us Thursday March 14th at 1:30pm.

Library News

I am still hoping to add to our wonderful library volunteer staff. Please contact me if you are interested in helping in any way.

See you at the Elegant Junque Sale!!



Chaplain's Chat

By: Rev. Bill Commons, *Resident*

THE WALKING WOUNDED

All around us here in this lovely and loving community of Highlands Ridge are widows and widowers, caregivers of aged and infirm spouses, victims of divorce, loved ones suffering from a spouse's dementia, and neighbors who "limp" inside from loneliness and disappointment.

Are you smiling on the outside but crying on the inside?

Is there one among us who has not suffered from betrayal or romantic heartache? Who has not been hurt by a rebellious child, abusive parents or an unfaithful spouse? Who does not carry around inner wounds inflicted in the past by vindictive colleagues, manipulative financial advisors or false friends? In fact, we are all among the walking wounded, with "holes in our hearts" from the tragedies of life in this broken world. Is there any HOPE for inner healing, for a restored optimism, for renewed contentment and joy?

Jesus spent his brief 33 years pouring out His life for the hopeless, the disillusioned, the sick and grieving, the lonely and despairing. He came to bring HOPE to the hopeless. He announced this compassionate invitation, "**Come to me all who are weary and heavy-hearted and I WILL GIVE YOU REST**" (Matthew 11:28).

We all have friends here in HR who long for that elusive **inner rest**, that quietness and serenity within, to carry us through life's struggles. Invite them to *come to Jesus*, there is nowhere else to go. And let me know if I can help somebody accept that transforming invitation from our Savior and Lord. The crucified and risen Christ is alive, and is knocking on the door of broken and lonely hearts, but only YOU can let Him in!

Volunteer Chaplain Bill Commons (717-770-0582; haguefish@gmail.com)

OPEN TENNIS ANYONE?

9 am to 11am Thursday
10am to Noon Saturday
Rotate in & have some fun!
Please contact Don & Carla Hebert
scad2@hotmail.ca (863) 393-8443

Wednesday Morning Bingo

An hour of luck!
0.50 cents a card
Starting January 23 in
Founder's Hall at 10:00 am

**BOCCE BALL IS GOING ON!**

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

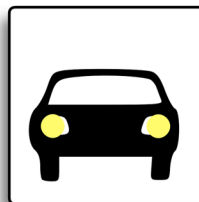


Bunco is re-starting
Tuesday, January 22
at 6:30 pm in Founder's Hall
All Welcome!
Few rules, just have to know
your numbers!
Bring a dollar

The **MARCH Alzheimer's Caregivers' Support Group** is scheduled to meet Tuesday, March 26, 2019 from 2:00—3:30 pm on the last Tuesday of the month. All Highlands Ridge residents are invited as we resume our winter monthly meetings which are on the last Tuesday of each month. For further information, call Suzanne Purdy at 614-457-2855.

**WATCH YOUR SPEED**

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

**Safety First**

Please remember when you are
walking at night to wear light
colored or reflective clothing and
carry a flashlight with you. If your
golf cart has lights, please use
them after dusk.

**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

**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



**The Ridge Report**

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

Hello Everyone and Welcome New Residents of Highlands Ridge!

The Various Rooms in our Administrative Facility: If you wish to reserve any of these rooms for your group, club, or meeting, you must call the administrative office at 863-471-1115. The rooms are keyed to the existing amenities key that you already have. When you do use these rooms, please leave the room in a neat and clean order. If you walk into the room prior to your event and the room is not clean and in order, please call the office.

Attention Marina Cove Residents: 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: As of February 25, 2019, there are no storage lots available. We do have a small waiting list. Please call the office at 863-471-1115 for more information.

FH Area: HRH management has hired a company to install/engraved the new memorial bricks around the fountain by the Founder's Hall 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 complete a form in the office. The bricks are \$100 per brick with a 3 line max and check payable to HRH. Our deadline will be Friday, March 1, 2019.

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: Thank you to Sebring Signs and Promotion for doing a great job on our street signs.

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: Thank you for supporting Mr. E's ice cream truck. Mr. E will be in Founder's Hall parking every Tuesday from 2 to 4 pm throughout the year.

Thank you to the Highlands Ridge residents who volunteer their time to help with the many activities/events in Highlands Ridge!

Rich Leclerc would like to say thank you for the cards, phone calls, and prayers from his recent surgery. He is doing great at home recovering. We will see him soon!!!

Let's Keep Highlands Ridge Beautiful!



Welcome to Paradise

Fabiszak, Richard & Rose
 4319 N. Course Ln.
 Avon Park, FL 33825
 (706) 461-3456 Richard
 (347) 902-4696 Rose
 gadget63@aol.com
 rose.fabiszak@gmail.com

Sundberg, Robert & Jerry
 3012 Oakhill Dr.
 Avon Park, FL 33825
 (423) 271-0379 Robert
 (423) 404-5808 Terry
 lqdrench@gmail.com
 woodlandserenity@yahoo.com



Resident updates

Brown, Myra—Landline
 (863) 451-5767

Dail, Ronnie & Eileen—New Cell Phone #'s
 (863) 273-3945 Ronnie
 (863) 273-3961 Eileen

Devon, Philip
 (585) 739-4785

Harris, Bill & Sally—Landline
 (863) 314-0041

Hooker, Fran—New E-mail
 Fran.m.hooker@gmail.com

Morgan, Robert & Deborah—New Cell & Northern
 Phone
 (863) 273-2107 Cell
 (828) 246-0441 NC



In Loving Memory

Eunice Marshall

Dutch vander Pyl





Highlands Ridge HOA

By: Willie Faye Myers, *Secretary*

Greetings from the Highlands Ridge Homeowner Association.
The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, March 11, 2019.

Ballots for the election of officers have been mailed to HRHOA members. There are 3 vacancies on the Board for the expiring terms of Pat Shine, Walt Chevillet, & Rick Nicholson. Pat Shine is running for re-election. He and wife Cheryl are residents of Scottish Links. He currently serves as President of the HRHOA Board. Walt Chevillet was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board in February 2018. He and wife Gerry reside on the North Course. Walt currently serves as Vice President, and has submitted his name to be on the ballot. Gary Thompson, resident of The Golf Villas will also be on the ballot. Moving to Highlands Ridge in 2018, he and wife Cheryl came from Wauconda, Illinois. There, he was a member of the building and zoning board, and on the planning commission. He was also involved as president of school unit district 118 for 6 years. He was also in charge of buildings and grounds which included building a new grade school and additions to two middle schools and a high school. Gary and Cheryl have 2 daughters and four grandchildren. After 30 years in the plastics injection molding industry, Gary spent the last 10 years as president/owner of GT Components Inc. a manufacturers representative agency. Now retired, he looks forward to serving Highland Ridge HOA as member of Architectural Control Committee. Regarding ballots.....you may either mail your ballot back in the enclosed envelope, drop it in the HRHOA drop box in front of the Administration Office, or bring it with you to the Annual Meeting. Annual assessments for the HRHOA are now due. If you have not paid, please remit your check for \$25.00 payable to the HRHOA, to Dale Huffman at 3812 Puma CT, Avon Park, FL 33825, or drop in the HRHOA box in front of the Administration Office, or bring it with you to the Annual Meeting.

We hope to see you at the ANNUAL MEETING on MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019. Meeting convenes at 4:00 pm in Founder's Hall.

We have invited Joe Pace, owner of Highlands Ridge Golf Courses, Lori Englert of Highlands Ridge Holdings, and George Apostolicas of Sebring Land Limited to attend the meeting. Nancy Owens will give a presentation of navigating the Highlands highlandsridge.com website. Our adopted Mission is to "maintain Community standards while improving quality of life for residents".

Our goals: Bring back a full service restaurant to Highlands Ridge

Add authority to the HOA via Covenants changes or ownership

Continue to be an advocate 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

Promote Highlands Ridge Golf Community

Covenants Did You Know???

Homes and landscape beds must be maintained at all times. Snowbirds who are gone during summer months should pay particular attention to mold on houses and driveways, weeding landscape beds and trimming trees and bushes. Keep Highlands Ridge Beautiful.



Marina Cove HOA

By: Bobbie Hutchinson, *Secretary*

Our Annual Meeting for MC homeowners is fast approaching! Hope to see you there on Monday, March 4, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Founders' Hall!

A big THANK YOU to all who helped make our Quarter Raffle a huge success! There were approximately 175 people in attendance and \$3,800.00 in donations were collected for our two charities, Nu Hope for Seniors and Food For Families. We also donate to Food For Families in November during our annual food donation drive. Last November we collected over 2 tons of food and \$300.00 in cash. John Jeffo, Executive Director of the Church Service Center of Avon Park is most appreciative of our efforts. He informed us that during fiscal year 2018, the Church Service Center had 5,000 visits from those in need! They spent \$62,000.00 in assistance with utilities, rents, etc.. The Center spent an additional \$20,000.00 on purchases at Save-A-Lot groceries! Nice to know how much we are contributing! Thanks to EVERYONE for your donations! Our next MCHOA board meeting is Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in Activities Room I at 1:00 p.m.; Please notice the TIME CHANGE! Come and meet your new board members!



**LGA NEWS**

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



Well, not only did I miss a great Round Robin, but also the weather was just perfect for the event. Thanks to our Round Robin Team of Karen Swan and Sharon Borrell for organizing yet again, the perfect event.

Congratulations to the winners....

Blue Flight:

1st Place: Sheila Chiarandini and Cheryl Racicot
 2nd Place: Nina Greene and Carol Mitchell
 3rd Place: Georgia Trissell and Becky Hobbs

Red Flight:

1st Place: Louise Henrich and Shelia Bowman
 2nd Place: Nancy Jarrett and Bobbi Morgan
 3rd Place: Rose Epling and Vernie Baker

Green Flight:

1st Place: Joan White and Julie Haviland
 2nd Place: Jo Ellen Lathwell and
 Sheila MacNaughton
 3rd Place: Linda Hathorn and Terry Kalis

Purple Flight:

1st Place: Cathy Miner and Donna Landers
 2nd Place: Rhoda Thiel and Janet Williams
 3rd Place: Barb Edwards and Connie Carter

Remember if you are Playing it Forward let me know (nowens20102gmail.com or 863-873-6532) to ensure we have your handicaps and scorecards completed correctly. Once you move forward you will not be able to change again until designated intervals. The next time to change will be prior to the summer season - May 1st - October 31st.

Evelyn Seely has the new Golf brochures to be sure to get with her for your copy. Also, give her a big Thank you for getting these brochures compiled, printed and passed out. Thank you Evelyn!

Coming up:

LGA 9 & 18 Hole Mixer on Feb 25

This is an annual event that we share the hosting with the LGA 9. It's their turn this year. Sign up prior to Feb 17, in the 9 hole book on the counter in the screen room at the South Course. Check Poster for details. - Cost \$8 for Lunch and \$3 for the game.
 (NON MEMBERS NEED TO PLAY GREEN FEES)

Choose up Tournament

MARCH 4th. Play on South Course at 8 am shotgun 2 Best Balls of 4

Team: 4 players...B Players will pick this time.

Cost: \$20 Includes play, prizes, lunch, tea and tip. Sign up and pay at the North Course
 (NON MEMBERS NEED TO PLAY GREEN FEES)

Sign Up Deadline: February 25th.

(No refunds for food if you cancel after Feb. 25)

Member Guest Tournament

Monday March 25, 2019, 8am Shotgun, South Course

7:15am Registration, 7:50am be in carts for announcements, Breakfast – pastries/fruit/coffee/juice

Lunch/Awards following at Paradise Grille

See Posters for Details.

Divorce Open

November 21&22 2019 with the Banquet Saturday November 23, 2019.

"Of all the hazards, fear is the worst" Sam Snead





LGA 9-Hole News

By: Mary Ann Beyer, *President*



Sadly we were unable to play golf for our January Sadie Hawkins event, along with our Valentine's Tournament, because of rain. But we sure did enjoy the "Highlands Ridge High Sock Hop" with music provided by Two Smooth. We had a great time dancing the night away to great tunes. Our next couples event is set for Sunday, March 24 with a St. Patrick's Day Golf Tournament and a Dinner/Dance and let's all pray for sunshine and **no RAIN!** By the time you read this the 9 & 18 mixer and the Choose-up will be history. I am hoping we have some good participation. Be sure to check out the newest pictures on our web site. There are some great shots. Be sure to keep checking the screen room at the South Course for upcoming events and sign up sheets. There is so much going on at this time of the year, it is hard to keep it all straight. Happy Golfing!



MGA News

By: Phil Hunter, *Secretary*

The MGA would like to welcome our newest members, Randy Odell and Herb Monto. And we'd like to say adios to Ron Edmunds who will be leaving Highlands Ridge to go back North.

Our MEMBER/MEMBER Tournament was Feb. 19 and 21 so you'll see those results in next month's Gazette. Special thanks to Mike Wade, Bob Morrill and Phil Hunter for organizing it this year.

Our first event in March will be the third PLAY WITH A PRO on Thursday, March 7th at 8:00 at North Course and then the MEMBER/GUEST will be Thurs.-Sat. March 21-23. Thanks goes to Gary Dobereiner for putting together our most popular event of the season. This year each participant will receive a \$100 gift certificate from Callaway to be used on-line.

Here are the results from the January 22nd **FOUR MAN SCRAMBLE:**

Walker, Gray, Guillemette, Olesek	56	
Healy, Hall, J. Owens, Master	56.7	FIRST FLIGHT
Trissell, Dunham, Dobie, Ferrigan	57.2	

Baker, O'Laughlin, G.Thompson, Murphy	54.6	
C.Smith, Schams, Huffman, Sosely	58	SECOND FLIGHT
Ashcraft, Blesch, Quay, Weaver	58.6	

Here are the results by flights of our 2nd PLAY WITH A PRO:

Lathwell/Swan 59	Hubinek/Tirdil 60	Walker/Thompson 60
Healy/J.Owens 61	Hubinek and his Pro, Kuchar, won combined scores with 133	

Jarrett/Niehoff 60	Mauck/D.Stewart 61	Murphy/Martens 63	Beyer/Edmunds 63
W.Jones/Haas 64	Ferrigan and his Pro, Gay, won combined scores with 134		

Racicot/Master 58	Quay/Blesch 58	Becker/Beastrom 59	Sharpe/Olnhausen 59
Nielson/Birkholz 61	Becker and his Pro, Knox, won combined scores with 130		



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