

February



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Happy
Valentine's Day!
Love

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY

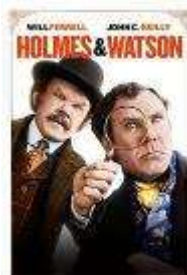
Sun	Feb	2	HRCF AR 1 3:00 pm
Tues	Feb	4	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Tues	Feb	4	MC HOA Meeting AR 1 10 am
Wed	Feb	5	Collette Tours- Andrew Baldini FH 4pm
Sat	Feb	8	Snow Crow Golf Tournament
Sun	Feb	9	MC Quarter Raffle HR 1:00 pm
Mon	Feb	10	HR HOA Meeting FH 4:00 pm
Tues	Feb	11	HRRRC Meeting AR1 4:00 pm
Tues	Feb	11	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Fri	Feb	14	Bulk Trash
Sun	Feb	16	Chorale Spaghetti Dinner FH
Mon	Feb	17	Diamond Tours Trip FH 8 am
Tues	Feb	18	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Tues	Feb	18	HC Quilt Guild AR3 10 am - 3 pm
Tues	Feb	18	Potluck FH 5 pm - 6:30 pm
Thur	Feb	20	Coffee w/ Birdy FH 9:30 am
Thur	Feb	20	Movie & Ice Cream AR1 1:30 pm
Tues	Feb	21	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Tues	Feb	25	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Fri	Feb	28	Bulk Trash



Movie & Ice Cream List
February 20, 2020 @ 1:30 pm
AR1

Plot: While investigating a murder at the Buckingham Palace, Sherlock Holmes and his trusted partner Dr. John Watson discover a far more heinous crime afoot. Further digging reveals a plot to assassinate the Queen of England, and together they must use their skills of deduction to prevent her majesty's imminent demise

Actors/Actresses: Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly, Rebecca Hall, Rob Brydon, Kelly Macdonald, Lauren Lapkus, Ralph Fiennes, Hugh Laurie, Noah Jupe, Steve Coogan



Rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association of America for Crude Humor, Drug Use/Content, Language, Violence.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MARCH

Sun	Mar	1	HRCF Meeting AR1 3 pm
Mon	Mar	2	MC HOA Annual Meeting
Tues	Mar	3	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Sat	Mar	7	St. Patrick's Dance FH 7 pm - 10 pm
Mon	Mar	9	HR HOA Meeting FH 4 pm
Tues	Mar	10	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Tues	Mar	10	HR Resident's Council AR1 10:15 am
Fri	Mar	13	Bulk Trash
Sat	Mar	14	Elegant Junque Sale FH 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Tues	Mar	15	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Tues	Mar	15	Pot Luck Dinner FH 5 pm - 6:30
Thurs	Mar	19	Coffee w/ Birdy FH 9:30 am
Thurs	Mar	19	Movie & Ice Cream AR1 1:30 pm
Sat	Mar	21	Chorale Spring Concert FH 7pm
Tues	Mar	24	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Fri	Mar	27	Bulk Trash
Tues	Mar	31	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL

Sat	Apr	4	Going Away Dance FH 7pm - 10 pm
Sun	Apr	5	HRCF Meeting AR1 3:00 pm
Tues	Apr	6	MC HOA Meeting AR1 10 am
Tues	Apr	7	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Fri	Apr	10	Bulk Trash
Mon	Apr	13	HR HOA Meeting FH 4:00 pm
Tues	Apr	14	HR Residents Council Mtg AR1 10:15 am
Tues	Apr	14	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Thur	Apr	16	Coffee w/ Birdy FH 9:30 am
Thur	Apr	16	Movie & Ice Cream AR1 1:30 pm
Tue	Apr	21	Easter Potluck FH 5:00 pm
Tues	Apr	21	Ice Cream Truck FH 2:00pm - 3:30 pm
Fri	Apr	24	Bulk Trash

"SPRING FLING"

A luncheon and style by Belk sponsored by the Highlands County Quilt Guild. It will be held Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM



in Founder's Hall at Highlands Ridge. There will also be raffle baskets, quilted items for sale and a queen size quilt raffled off. Contact Deb Martens (863-385-5031) for more information and tickets (\$15.00 pp). Tickets must be purchased in advance.

The Highlands Ridge Chorale

Annual Spaghetti Dinner
 Founder's Hall
 February 16, 2020

Seating available at:
 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm

\$8.00 per person
 Menu: Spaghetti with Meatballs, Salad, Bread,
 and Dessert

Bring your own sturdy place setting

Call Mary Ann Wick (262) 888-0533
 Lucille Ferrigan (863) 402-1257 for tickets
 Benefiting Highlands Ridge Chorale



St. Patrick's Dance



Saturday, March 7, 2020
 Founder's Hall
 7:00 pm—10:00 pm
 "BYOB"

Tom McGannon
 Stop by the office or
 call to sign-up.
 Cost is \$5 per person



Eastern Caribbean & Perfect Day

Royal Caribbean Cruise on the
 Harmony of the Seas

February 28, 2021—March 7, 2021

Call or stop by the office for more
 information and to sign up.





Aqua fabric round (28" diameter) cushion lift-top storage ottoman. Excellent condition. Would make a great coffee table by adding glass-top! Asking \$35.
Elke/AJ Davis 859-200-8022

Custom cherry and pecan drop leaf table (counter height) with 4 swivel chairs. Perfect for small kitchen or enclosed Florida room!
 Asking \$500.
Call Bob at 413-822-2320.

Antique cabinet maker's chest—\$600 OBO
**Please contact
 Jim Kronyak at
 (863) 385-4131**

Brown leather hide-a-bed couch. Excellent condition. Square glass table with 4 chairs.

**Carole Cardwell
 (765) 618 2342
 4026 Carter Creek Drive**

Women's 7 speed with basket, and rear fender rack in new condition. Men's 3 speed with lock, helmet, and water bottle. \$45.00 and \$40.00 or both for \$80.00.

**Tom and Donna
 Blesch 385-2694**

6500 Watt Powerland Propane Fuel Generator With (2) 40# fuel tanks With fuel, like new Total cost over \$1,000.00 Will sell for \$500.00
Call Chuck Patrie

Full size brass bed frame w/ painted glass adornments \$250.00

**Please contact David or
 Karen Coy 863-304-8783
 kdcoy@comcast.net**

2019 "Like New" Ladies Callaway Epic Flash Driver 12*. This is from a set of Demo Clubs I purchased. CALLAWAY preowned lists for \$429. Selling for \$280.00!!!!
Call Sue Schinderle 231-349-0065



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 8th, 2020

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 us for golf and pizza or just pizza. Social time at Founders Hall immediately following golf ~ 5:45 (BYOB)

Register by 1 Feb/20 at mlkilloran@yahoo.ca or call 658-2153

In an envelope deposit your \$10 pp (cash only) with your name and contact information into Martha Killoran @2863 S. Dockside or Nancy Jarrett @2876 S. Driftwood Ct.

Annual Elegant Junque Sale



Saturday, March 14, 2020
8:00 am—12:00 pm
Founder's Hall

Bring all your items that have been in your attic, closet, or garage.

Snacks Bar, fresh coffee, tea, donuts and more will be available.
Canteen sponsored by the Highlands Ridge Chorale



Employee Appreciation Luncheon

The day honoring Highlands Ridge employees will be a month later this year and celebrated on Tuesday, February 25th. More information will be forthcoming!!



February 4, 2020 at 4:00
Highlands Ridge Activities Room

Let me show you how to make your
Eyes Pop!

Learn how I can improve your skin & "WAKE YOU UP TO MAKEUP!"
POPCORN & REFRESHMENTS
DRAWING FOR A FREE FACIAL!
DOOR PRIZES
AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

SAVE THIS DATE!
2020 Divorce Open
Nov. 19th & 20th, 2020



Pickleball NewsSubmitted by: Suzanne Safford, *President*

These pictures show how much we are all enjoying the game of pickleball. It's a great way to socialize and get exercise at the same time. There were a total of 20 people playing recently at one time.

We have at least 5 beginners who will be taking lessons from Linda Kramer from Sun 'N Lake. She has given lessons here at HR before and is very knowledgeable about the game. We wish them good luck.

The HR league team will have had their first league matches by the time you read this against Lake Ashton and Sun 'N Lake. I will let you know in the next issue how we did. We have been practicing diligently and are looking forward to the challenge.

Until next time. Keep playing.

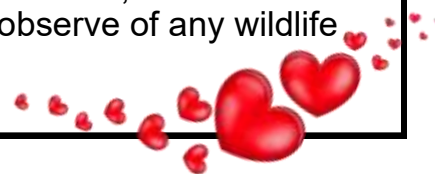
**Animal News**Submitted by: Denise Beauparlant, *Resident***CRITTER CORNER**

We are so blessed to share our daily lives here in Central Florida with so many amazing species of wildlife. I'm sure many of you observed the pair of Sandhill Cranes working diligently for several days on a nest in the Marina Cove Pond. So questions arise, will they actually have their young at this busy intersection in our community. A call to Florida Fish and Wildlife provided some very interesting information.

This is probably a young pair of Cranes. More than likely they will build nests in a few locations, then spend time in each area assessing the availability of food, threat from predators, and effects from adverse weather such as wind. They work as a team, building the nest and doing this assessment. Females lay two eggs that incubate for 32 days. Both male and female participate in incubating the eggs. Raising their young is also a team effort. Two eggs are normally laid, and within 24 hours of hatching, the young are capable of following their parents away from the nest. Together they forage for seeds and roots, insects, snakes, frogs and occasionally young birds or small mammals. Interestingly, they don't fish like herons. At ten months old the juveniles are able to leave their parents and bonding between pairs begins at two years old.

Young Sandhills weigh about 12 pounds, males are larger than females, but external markings are identical. Cranes live to be older than most birds, some reaching 20 years old. Florida sandhill cranes are a non migratory species. They are monogamous, breeding with only one mate. Courtship consists of dancing which features jumping, running and wing flapping, which I'm sure many of us have observed.

These beautiful creatures are protected by Florida's Endangered and Threatened Species Rule. This makes it a legal offense if you kill, or intentionally harass the species. For most of us we drive carefully through our community, giving the right of way to cranes, and other creatures we share our lives with. Please report any harassment you observe of any wildlife to Florida Fish and Wildlife, that can be reached at 863-648-3200.





Chorale News

By: Karen O'Laughlin, *Secretary*



Delizioso!!!! That's what I think of when I think of Italian cooking. And guess what? Coming up on **Sunday, February 16** is our annual **Spaghetti Dinner**, cooked and served by members of the Chorale in Founder's Hall. It's also a delicious way to show your support for us and not have to cook!! Right ladies? There are still two seatings like we've always had. However, this year the times are now at **4:30pm** and **6:00pm**. We think this will provide more of you to enjoy this meal as the first seating always sold out, and the second seating was too late for many! We hope this change will be to your liking. Another change is that the **tickets will be sold by table number**, like it's done for our dances. This should eliminate problems we've had with not enough seats for late comers to sit together. Tickets for each seating are **\$8.00 each**. You can purchase tickets for whichever seating you prefer from our members Lucille Farrigan or MaryAnn Wick. They will be strolling around HR from time to time (probably at 3Gen's) and you can purchase your tickets from them. They won't be hard to find! Where in the county can you beat this price for such a wonderful dinner? Another plus side is not having to deal with traffic or wait times! You'll be served a salad, bread, a generous helping of pasta, sauce and of course, meatballs. Topped off with a delicious homemade piece of cake! So, don't hesitate!

Get your tickets today and come join us in Founder's Hall!! It's also that time of year to think about our **Patron's Program!** We need your support to continue to provide the best musical program we can. Only \$50.00/yr will help us so much. Your name will then appear on our Spring Concert program and the Christmas Concert program! We all love doing what we do, but we do need your support. Simply write a check to **HR Chorale** and give it to any one you know in the chorale or drop it off in the HR Office. Make sure the check has the name(s) the way you want them to be seen on the program. There is a form to fill out in the office for any new residents that are unfamiliar with us and the program. You can also drop off the check to our treasurer, JoAnn Johnson at 3408 St. Andrews Dr.

We in the Chorale are also hard at work learning new music for the upcoming Spring Concert. It's hard to believe we will be celebrating our 20th year as a choral group. Lots of memories and lots of surprises will be included in the concert. We're all looking forward to singing it for you and showing you our past that has brought us forward to where we are today. It's been a journey, "A Sentimental Journey". Hmmm, could that be a hint of a song we're singing? Well, there's a lot more of the old songs that I know you'll enjoy hearing. So, mark your calendar for March 21 at 7:00pm at Founder's Hall. We will also be singing a second concert on Sunday, March 22 at 4:00pm at St. John United Methodist in Sebring. But first, see you at the Spaghetti Dinner!!! Chow!



Chaplain's Chat

By: Rev. Bill Commons, *Resident*

IS LOVE GOD?

"What the world needs now is love, sweet love – It's the only thing that there's just too little of...."

Does our culture worship romantic love? Many believe mankind's basic need is physical intimacy. Everything else is secondary. To many it is their focus, their god.

This idolatry seeks to fill the void left from rejecting the Creator-God who made us to be fulfilled and transformed by His amazing sacrificial-love (agape). **Love was His idea after all, and His greatest gift to mankind.** The four loves He gave us (for God, family, friends and romance) fill our lives with joy and satisfaction when Christ is the center of our life.

But American culture moved away from majoring on God's love and changed our primary focus to romantic love. We turned from primary devotion to God and spouse, family and friends, to sensual indulgence. Now we see the bitter fruit of worshiping at the altar of sex: moral chaos, broken hearts, wounded children, serial divorce, loneliness, and despair.

Yes, love IS mankind's basic need. God created us that way so He could pour His transforming love into our searching hearts. And He proved what true love really is by becoming man and sacrificing Himself on the Cross to set us free from idols and addictions, so we could worship and serve the only One who can fill us with the compassion, forgiveness and wholeness that we crave. Only then can we be free to love others with integrity and passion according to His wonderful plan!

"God's love to us has been revealed in that God sent His only Son, so we can find life through him" (1 John 4:9)

Book Club News

By: Mary Harden, *Resident*

On January 9th, the book club met and discussed *The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland*, by Jim Defede. When 38 jetliners bound for the United States were forced to land at Gander International Airport in Canada by the closing of U.S. airspace on September 11, the population of this small town on Newfoundland Island swelled from 10,300 to nearly 17,000. The citizens of Gander met the stranded passengers with an overwhelming display of friendship and goodwill.

As the passengers stepped from the airplanes, exhausted, hungry and distraught after being held on board for nearly 24 hours while security checked all of the baggage, they were greeted with a feast prepared by the townspeople. Local bus drivers who had been on strike came off the picket lines to transport the passengers to the various shelters set up in local schools and churches. Linens and toiletries were bought and donated. A middle school provided showers, as well as access to computers, email, and televisions, allowing the passengers to stay in touch with family and follow the news.

We all enjoyed the book and, by the end, felt like we knew all the people involved and were amazed by all the Canadians did to make the passengers (and their pets!) comfortable during their enforced stay.

Our next meeting will be on February 13th and we will be talking about *Summer Island*, by Kristin Hannah, A poignant, funny, luminous novel about a mother and daughter—the complex ties that bind them, the past that separates them, and the healing that comes with forgiveness. *Summer Island* is a beautiful novel, funny, tender, sad, and ultimately triumphant.

Coming up March 12th: *The Invention of Wings*, by Sue Monk Kidd

April 9th: *The Dry Grass of August*, by Anna Jean Mayhew

Hope you can join us!!

Library News

By: Mary Harden, *Resident*



Business has been booming at your library!!

Hopefully everyone has had an opportunity to “check out” one of our Christmas selections. They will probably stick around through the end of January just in case, only to be whisked away and reappear in December.

Also, be sure to check out the new arrivals section when you visit. You never know what might show up!! I started the New Year by re-reading *Fahrenheit 451*, by Ray Bradbury. The novel presents a future

American society where books are outlawed and “firemen” burn any that are found. I shudder to think about it!! This same society bombards its citizens with constant commercials. Sound familiar?? Another interesting read is *The Art of Seeing*, by Cammie McGovern. It is a story of two sisters, an actress who loses her sight and a photographer. This moving and profound story about family, celebrity, envy, and love is a brilliant exploration of the powerful and enduring connection between sisters. Look for these and many more in your fabulous community library!

**Alzheimer's Caregiver
Support Group
Meeting**

Our support group meets monthly in Highlands Ridge and is open to residents of Crystal Lake and Highlands Ridge who are living with a family member who has been diagnosed with Dementia and/or Alzheimer's. This group will be a place to network and to share ongoing concerns with others as well as to connect caregivers with resources available in Highlands County. Caretakers often feel isolated and need a place to express feelings, share information and get emotional support. If you are interested in participating in the support group, please respond to

Sue Purdy at sbpurdy1@gmail.com or

by phone at 614-457-2855.

We look forward to meeting you on February 18, 2020 at 2:00-3:30 pm in AR2

Progressive Rummy

12:00 pm Thursday AR2

All are welcome!

Easy game to learn!

If you have any questions feel free to contact the office.



Bunco is going strong on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in Founder's Hall.

All Welcome!

Few rules, just have to know your numbers! Bring a dollar.



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 Georgia Trissell for details.



Happy Valentine's Day



Three things will last forever

Faith, Hope, and Love

Sheepshead

PLAY EVERY TUESDAY EVENING AT 7:00PM SHARP IN FOUNDER'S HALL.

WE ALWAYS HAVE ROOM FOR PLAYERS, MALE AND FEMALE.

CONTACT BILL RAPP 863-402-1982, OR TOM MISCHKE AT 720-220-7503



WAM/BAM

(Weight Accountability Motivation / Behavior Accountability Maintained)

You may have seen the acronym WAM/BAM and wondered what that means. We are a weight loss management group that provides accountability, motivation and behavior modification in order to achieve and maintain your weight loss goals. We meet weekly on Thursday mornings in Activities Room 2 at Founder's Hall. Private weigh-in is from 7:30 – 8:00. Meetings are from 8:00 – 8:30. Join us for diet tips, motivation, support on your weight loss journey and fun. Questions? Contact Deb Martens at 863-385-5031 or email:dhmartens41@gmail.com.



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

Happy Birthday

02/01 Roger	Brinks	02/10 Pamela	Ebeling	02/22 William	Cureton
02/01 Shirley	Myers	02/10 Donna	Landers	02/22 Andrea	Fix
02/01 William	Taulane	02/12 Joe	Marchio	02/22 Dawn	Quay
02/02 Roseann	Jewell	02/12 Tony	Sunlitis	02/22 Pat	Shine
02/02 Jo Ellen	Lathwell	02/13 Nicholas	Governale	02/22 Cherie	Recob
02/03 Elaine	Oeltjenbruns	02/13 Norm	Downing	02/22 Donna	Wissing
02/03 Douglas	O'Laughlin	02/13 Audrey	Eddinger	02/22 Aranka	Vida
02/03 Georgia	Trissell	02/14 Linda	Barney	02/23 Sandra	Frederking
02/03 Eugene	Dieffenbach	02/14 Dick	Myers	02/23 Vernon	Hall
02/04 John	Clark	02/15 Richard	Barney	02/23 Teresa	Kelley
02/04 Linda	Hendrixson	02/15 Judy	Kidd	02/23 Nancy	Snyder
02/04 Dick	Hon	02/15 Bruce	Mann	02/24 James	Hendrixson
02/04 Jim	Kessler	02/15 Phillip	Sloan	02/24 Peggy	Sharpe
02/04 Richard	Fabiszak	02/15 Terry	Paradiso	02/24 Richard	Weaver
02/05 Cindy	Becker	02/16 Cathy	Hamming	02/25 Nancy	Guillemette
02/05 Lewis	Engebretsen	02/16 Maria	Lock	02/25 Kent	Henrich
02/05 Cheryl	Thompson	02/17 John	Owens	02/25 Jim	Hitmar
02/06 Sandy	Eichstadt	02/18 Bob	Morrill	02/26 Richard	Kidd
02/06 Cliff	Westover	02/18 Marsha	Wise	02/26 Michael	Buff
02/07 Denise	Beauparlant	02/19 John	Babcock	02/26 John	Bilyeau
02/07 Lanny	Haglund	02/19 Bill	Buchwald	02/27 Cindy	Kinser
02/08 Gayla	Bergmann	02/19 Karen	O'Laughlin	02/27 Edwin	Evans
02/08 Eileen	Cifelli	02/20 Barbara	Healey	02/27 Fred	Schossau
02/08 Harold	Hamming	02/20 Bob	Howell	02/28 Gordon	Chaney
02/09 Sherry	Hoover	02/20 Bill	Reed	02/28 Herbert	Monto
02/09 Richard	Shelley	02/21 Mary Ann	Beyer	02/28 Emma	Paonessa
		02/21 Ronnie	Carter	02/28 Linda	Ullin
		02/21 Ronald	Flotow	02/28 Robert	Butrymowicz
		02/21 David	Coy		

02/02 Doug & Lynne	Troke	02/15 David & Julia	Smith
02/04 David & Marga	Cutler	02/16 Thomas & Mary	Hayden
02/05 Michael & Linda	Murphy	02/16 Robert & Dorothy	Howell
02/06 Terry & Mary Lynn	Doane	02/16 Nile & Betty	Lahr
02/07 Don & Nancy	Davis	02/18 Bruce & Ruth Anne	Bauer
02/08 Al & Anne	Eckelman	02/21 Gary & Kaye	Prechel
02/09 Jerry & Joan	Bender	02/22 James & Jean	Todd
02/10 Dennis & Sandra	Birkholz	02/23 James & Selena	Demchak
02/10 Byford & Bonnie	Treanor	02/25 James & Linda	Hendrixson
02/12 Greg & Arlene	Taylor	02/25 John & Barbara	Johnson
02/13 John & Brenda	Burton	02/25 Bud & Erma	Morgan
02/14 Chuck & Mary	McDonald	02/27 Dwight & Terri	Griffin
02/14 Carl & Kathy	Wood	02/27 Dave & Nancy	Jarrett
02/14 Rodney & Kathryn	Luther	02/28 Gary & Carol	Raasch
02/14 Ronnie & Eileen	Dail		



4th Annual Pie Contest



Judges & Winners



Winners: left-to-right: Maria Lock; 2nd place (taste) Kathy Helmer; 1st place (visual) Roger Quay; 1st place (taste) Storme Odell; 2nd place (visual)





Highlands Ridge HOA

By: Willie Faye Myers, *Secretary*



Greeting from the HRHOA Board of Directors

At our January 20th Board meeting Brad Millsap, in conjecture with Sebring Land brought us up to date on an initiative Brad is spearheading. Brad will work on gathering lot prices, local builders interested in building in Highlands Ridge, floor plans, contact names and numbers, etc and build a web site to help prospective, interested parties easy access to information and solutions to building a home here in Highlands Ridge. More to follow in the coming weeks as Brad pulls all this information together.

If you are a HRHOA member, and interested in maintaining the integrity, growth, and development of our Community, and are willing to serve on the Board of Director, please contact either Pat Shine, President (812-350-3815), or Willie Faye Myers, Secretary (252-207-6200). Election of Officers occurs in March at the annual Meeting. Contact us soon!

Additional information to remember:

1. At our December meeting, the proposed budget was approved. 2020 HRHOA assessments will remain unchanged at \$25.00 per lot. The notices have been mailed out and due upon receipt.
2. Obey the speed limit in your car, cart, and bike.
3. Keep your garbage receptacles 100% out of sight, either in the garage or a HRHOA ACC approved enclosure.
4. Don't put your garbage receptacles out at the street until the morning of pick up.
5. If you intend to make improvements and/or changes to your property, ACC approval is required. For an application, go to highlandridge.com and click the top right corner "Resident info". In the Architectural Control Committee section, a link will direct you to information, contact numbers, and applications(s).
6. Support our community, restaurants and golf courses. Welcome visitors, and invite friends to visit our Paradise.

If you are a member of the HRHOA an are not receiving our email notifications of meetings, minutes of meetings, etc. Please notify wfdmyers5539@gmail.com if you would like to receive.

Our next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday February 10th at 4pm in Founder's Hall. We hope to see you there.



Marina Cove HOA

By: Bobbie Hutchinson, *Secretary*



Our Quarter Raffle is fast approaching! Join in the fun on Sunday, Feb 9th in Founder's Hall; doors open at noon, raffle from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. TICKETS are \$5.00 each and MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE. Contact Kathy Fenoff for further info & tickets @ 863-314-6306. If you've not been to a Quarter Raffle DON'T MISS IT; it's 2 hours of fast-paced fun!!! Refreshments available.

MCHOA Annual Meeting is Monday, March 2, 2020 in Founder's Hall; info was mailed to MC residents in January. Annual dues of \$15.00 are due prior to this meeting. Checks payable to MCHOA may be placed in the drop box in front of FH, or mailed to our new Treasurer, Richard Shelley, 2806 S Mainsail Dr, Avon Park FL 33825. Sign up sheets are in the Admin Office; you may pick up your tickets when you sign up for the meeting/potluck supper.

We were thrilled to have 18 MC residents at our January board meeting! Our next meeting is Tuesday, Feb 4th , 2020 @ 10:00 a.m. in Activities Room I.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY !!!



The Ridge Report

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



Hello everyone! Welcome to all the new residents in Highlands Ridge!

Wow...there is a lot going on in Paradise. Please see page 2 of the Gazette to see a long list of activities and events for this month and the next two months. There is plenty to do in this active community for your retirement days.

HRH and Fitness Together have ended their 5 year relationship as of the end of January. Management is looking for a company to instruct the 8:00am class. We will notify you once this task has been accomplished.

It's better late than never... Thank you to the Marina Cove HOA and their volunteers for decorating the south course entrance and the Founder's Hall gazebo for Christmas. Also, a big shout out to Mr. & Mrs. Rich and Rose Fabiszak for purchasing and decorating the north course entrance and north course gazebo for the Christmas holiday! We appreciate all of you for volunteering your time!

Reminders

1. Appointments are necessary for notary services and if you wish to meet with me for any reason.
2. Submit your article by the 15th of the month prior to its publication to gazette@highlandsridge.com.
3. If you can't wait till bulk trash day, please take your garbage to the landfill located at 12700 Arbuckle Creek Road Sebring, 33870.
4. 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.
5. Please remember if you want to make any kind of exterior change to the outside of your home, you must go through a process of paperwork. ACC forms are in the office for those residents who live in all other villages except for Marina Cove. If you live in Marina Cove, a management request form must be completed and no work is to be done until that form has a signed approval from management.
6. Pets are not allowed at any recreational facilities, including the clubhouse and the administrative office.

Attention Marina Cove residents: Please remind your vendors who perform any outside work, that our policy is they can't start working till 8:00am. Thank you all for paying your lot rent. It has been since March of 2019 that someone "forgot to mail" their check in.

Let's Keep Highlands Ridge Beautiful!

♥HAPPY
Valentine's
DAY♥



My heart is heavy but feeling thankful for the love shared with me and our family during this time of loss. John is and will forever be missed.

Thank you so much for reaching out to us with cards, words of encouragement, food, visits, hugs, prayers and shared tears.

With heartfelt love ~ Ann & Family

*"His strength is perfect when our strength is gone;
He'll carry us when we can't carry on. Raised in His power,
the weak become strong; His strength is perfect."*



LGA NEWS

By: Pam Wick, *Vice-President* HRLGA18@gmail.com

What perfect weather we had for the 2X4!

Thanks to Jo Ellen Lathwell for organizing another great event, Deborah Reimer for coordinating the food and to Bruce Martens for making our score cards.

Congrats to the winners!

1st Flight:

1st Place: Joellyn Hufford/Toni Fletcher
2nd Place: Willie Faye Myers/Pam Wick
3rd Place: Becky Hobbs/Rose Epling

2nd Flight:

1st Place: Sheila MacNaughton/Evelyn Seely
2nd Place: Shelia Bowman/Nancy Owens
3rd Place: Storme Odell/ Linda Hathorn

3rd Flight

1st Place: Martha Spung/Donna Landers
2nd Place: Terri Griffin/Pam Rhodes
3rd Place: Deb Martens/Lucille Ferrigan

4th Flight:

1st Place: Rhoda Thiel/Cindy Becker
2nd Place: Anne Dillman/Marge Freeman
3rd Place: Terry Kalis/MaryAnn Wick



After golf we had our 2nd annual meeting for the LGA. We welcomed two new members, Pam Rhodes and Lynda Stewart. Some of the topics discussed were course rating implications and actions, equitable strokes (double net bogey) and upcoming events.

LGA dues for 2020 are due March 31st and are \$20. Please make checks out to HRLGA and you can drop them off at the North Pro Shop or directly to Georgia Trissell. Remember, when signing up for an event, pay at the same time and with a separate check for each event. This ensures that the correct monies are accounted for and paid out.

Upcoming Events:

ROUND ROBIN:

February 3, 5 and 7th.

Monday and Wednesday 10:30 AM Tee Times South Course

Friday play 9 holes with 8:00 AM shotgun start South Course

Brunch and Awards follow at South Course Grill on Friday

Entry Fee is \$25 (green Fees apply to non-HR members) Includes prize money, closest to Pin prizes and Brunch.

9 HOLE/18 HOLE MIXER

Wednesday February 26th

8:00 AM Shotgun start North Course and lunch following - watch for signup sheets and additional information.

CHOOSE UP:

Monday March 2nd - 8:00 AM Shotgun start with Lunch following - watch for signup sheets and additional information.

LGA MEMBER GUEST GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday March 30, 2020 9:00am Shotgun South Course Pastries/ Fruit/Coffee/Juice

Golf – Front Nine/Best Ball, Back Nine/Scramble

Lunch and awards at 3 Gen's Grill

Two person Team Cost: \$70 plus appropriate green fees (\$35 for non-member and \$35 for guest) There are three signup sheets – one for members, one for non-members and one for those needing a partner. You must be an LGA member to participate. Any person residing in Highlands Ridge is eligible to be an LGA member. Guests must live elsewhere. If you are currently residing in Highlands Ridge, you MAY NOT be a guest. More information and registration forms available in the scoring room at the South course and in sign up book at North Course. Sign up and pay at North course. In order to process entry, you must provide GHIN number for member and guest.

Questions? Contact Pam Wick at 510-205-1407 or Pat Olesek at 248-561-135

FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE

Last year, in one week, the Highlands Ridge LGA collected 500 pounds of food for our local food bank.

This year we are including the golf communities of Harder Hall, Golf Hammock and Sun N Lakes in a Food Drive Challenge. The community that collects and delivers the most food to the Heartland Food Bank in the months of March and April will be declared the winner. Our goal between the 4 courses is to donate 2 tons of food. If you have food you would like to share, you can drop off with Pam Wick at 5064 Birkdale Drive or call me and I will pick up - 510-205-1407. This is a community wide event and the timing is perfect for anyone heading north that would like to empty their pantries.

Winners from 2X4 Outing January 2020.



MGA News

By: Phil Hunter, *Secretary*



Congratulations to Joe Healy who had a hole-in-one on Thanksgiving Day on hole #8 at the North Course! He was very thankful to be playing with 2 other MGA members, Cecil Roes and Jack Niehoff, so Joe could receive the \$50 payout from the MGA.

The MGA Board would like to encourage everyone to read and better understand the new WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM that has now come into effect, since it will affect all of our indexes and handicaps. We'd like to remind all our members to continue to PLAY THE TEES YOU SIGNED UP FOR when you paid your dues. If you feel you need to change the tees you're playing from, we request that you first notify President, Ron Swan, or any board member.

Our February events are: 2/4 - PLAY WITH A PRO AT 12:30 ON THE NORTH COURSE

TUES., 2/25- MEMBER/MEMBER AT 12:30 ON THE NORTH COURSE

THURS., 2/27- MEMBER/MEMBER AT 8:00 ON THE SOUTH COURSE

Here are the results for the ALTERNATE SHOT EVENT ON THE NORTH COURSE:

1st Flight: Gray/Steullet 64.5, Tirdil/Hubinek 65.9, Jerome/McDonnall 67.5

2nd Flight: Marshall/Robinett 60.2, Weidemann/Birkholz 65.5, Swan/Beyer 65.6

3rd Flight: Quay/Becker 58, G.Thompson/Ostapowicz 63, Hurless/Bennett 64.5

Here are the result for the 4 MAN SCRAMBLE EVENT ON THE SOUTH COURSE:

1st Flight: 58.4 Barney, Hunter, Taylor, Quay 59.9 Guillemette, Gray, Olesek, Steullet

59.9 J.Brown, Cooper, Ferrigan, Dobie 61.3 Flaherty, Flotow, Morenzoni, D.Brown

2nd Flight: 55.9 Lathwell, Swan, Marshall, Robinett 56.4 Wade, Hurless, Ouillette, Bennett

60.8 Ebling, Beyer, Murphy, Martens 61.4 Piscitelli, Epling, Lynch, Reimer



LGA 9-Hole News

By: Mary Ann Beyer, *President*



By the time you are reading this the "Roaring into the 20's" Sadie Hawkins Golf Tournament and Dinner Dance will be in the history book and pictures will be posted on our website. I am getting excited to see the costumes created by our fun group of ladies. Be sure to check out our website at HighlandsRidge9HoleLGA.com for more information about our League.

I hope by now you have figured out the new handicap system. It is quite easy: Par + 2 + any handicap strokes you receive for each hole. For me on a Par 3, I get 3 + 2 + 2 handicap dots for a max of 7. You will need to be aware of what your handicap is. If you need help with that, the pro Shops should be able to help you. Posting scores on the computer has changed also but it is not too difficult.

We have been working on getting our mailing list updated so if you are not getting our emails, please contact one of the officers so we can get it corrected.

Our Valentine's Golf Tournament will be on Weds. Feb. 12 and the "Hearts and Roses" Luncheon will be at Founder's Hall on Thurs., Feb 13th. Please check the screen room for signup sheets and more information.



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The Tavern
863-453-7600

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North: 863-453-9991
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Sheriffs Dept.
EMERGENCY 911
Non-emergency
863-402-7200

Highlands County
Recycling
863-655-6400

Animal Control
863-402-6730

Duke Energy
800-228-8485
Outages
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City of Sebring
Utilities Department
863-471-5112 /
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Century Link
1-800-788-3600

Comcast Cable
1-800-934-6489

Tax Collector
863-402-6685

Waste Connections
Garbage Collection
863-655-0005

Going Away Dance



Saturday, April 4, 2020

Founder's Hall

7:00 pm—10:00 pm

"BYOB"

Two Smooth

Stop by the office or call to sign-up

Cost is \$10 per person

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