

GAZETTE



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Thank you Mr. Dennis Muler for the photo on the front cover of the Gazette. The picture was taken on Puma Drive in July of 2021.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SEP & OCT?

- 09/06 Labor Day
- 09/06 HRH Office Closed
- 09/10 Bulk Trash
- 09/13 HR HOA Meeting
- 09/14 Crème-filled Donut Day
- 09/16 Movie & Ice Cream
- 09/24 Bulk Trash
- 09/29 One Blood Bus Blood Drive
- 10/06 MC HOA Meeting
- 10/08 Bulk Trash
- 10/11 HR HOA Meeting
- 10/12 HR Residents Council Meeting
- 10/19 Founder's Hall Potluck
- 10/21 Movie & Ice Cream
- 10/22 Bulk Trash
- 10/30 Welcome Back Dance

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEXT MONTHS?

- 11/03 MC HOA Meeting
- 11/05 Bulk Trash
- 11/08 HR HOA Meeting
- 11/09 HR Residents Council Meeting
- 11/13 Arts & Crafts Fair
- 11/19 Bulk Trash
- 11/25 Happy Thanksgiving
- 11/25 HRH Office Closed
- 11/26 HRH Office Closed
- 12/01 MC HOA Meeting
- 12/03 Bulk Trash
- 12/04 Chorale Christmas Concert
- 12/11 Holly Jolly Party



Note: Dates are subject to change - please check your emails.

**Mahjong every Friday, Founder's Hall,
12:30 pm - 4:30 pm**

Please call Martha Carpenter 863-402-1806 for info.

I ♥ Mahjong

Bocce BALL!

Want to have some fun and meet new residents? Come out every Sunday at 1:00pm to play some **Bocce Ball**. (by the shuffleboard courts at Founder's Hall)

Come out to Founder's Hall parking lot on, **Wednesday September 29, 2021 ~ 10am to 3pm** to donate at the **HR One Blood Drive!** Please call the office at 863-471-1115 for an appointment.



- Bocce Ball** - supplies are in the shed
- Shuffleboard Courts** - supplies are in the shed
- Horseshoe Pits** - supplies are in the shed
- Tennis Courts** - bring your own water - no water coolers will be provided for your safety
- Pickle ball Courts** - bring your own water - no water coolers will be provided for your safety
- Basketball Hoop** - we do have 2 basketballs that you can sign out if you don't have one
- Corn Hole** - we have 2 portable games call the office to sign out
- Oversize Connect Four lawn game** - we have 2 games call the office to sign out



EOS Rebel DSLR T6 Camera Body with a Canon EF-S 18-55mm IS II Lens & a EF 75-300mm III Lens. Canon EOS Shoulder Bag, SanDisk SDXC 64GB Memory Card, Lens Cleaning Cloth, Battery with Charger, Plus 2 Extra Batteries, and Instruction Manual. Asking \$250.00 or a reasonable offer. **Roger Massie (863) 382-8010.**

New Driver for Sale 12.5 Speed System Driver \$250. Designed for golfers with slower swing speed. **Larry Ferrigan 863-402-1257**

Duro-Max XP12000EH Generator. 1 yr old=never used. \$1,400 on internet; will sell for \$1,100. **Jerry Beastron 863-402-1683**

Champion 9000 Watt dual fuel generator, battery start, two years old. Includes power cords, 30# propane tank, storage cover, and outside operational weather cover. Asking \$650. **Bob Hau 847-921-1028**

A huge thank you to all my Highlands Ridge friends for your well wishes following my hip surgery! Your gifts of food, cards, texts, emails, waves from the golf course and visits mean the world to me. And, special thanks to Nurse Terry... you are the best! Hugs to All, Cathy Miner



I am so overwhelmed with gratitude for all the love expressed through cards that overflowed my mailbox!. The prayers were most evident. and my heart is overflowing with appreciation. How very blessed I am to belong to such a caring community. The food, flowers, hugs, & the attendance at Ralph's Celebration warmed my heart beyond my wildest dreams. It truly helped to make a very difficult time, so much more bearable. The phone calls & visits were priceless. Thank you all, from the bottom of my grateful heart! May God richly bless each & every one of you.

In Christ's love, Linda Sosely

Hank is finally home! We both want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all the cards, emails, text messages, and phone calls, as we dealt with Hank's heart surgery, and subsequent stroke. To our great neighbors who cared for our cats for months, was above and beyond, and there are not enough thank you's to suffice. Being away from Highlands Ridge for 3 1/2 months was difficult, but feeling all your love and support helped enormously. Your visits, meals, and phone calls since we have been home has really cheered Hank up. He still has a way to go in his rehab, but feeling the love here is great encouragement. Blessings to you all! Denise & Hank



Raisin' Cain Band—Heartland

February 5, 2022

Founder's Hall
7:00pm - 10:00pm

Tickets - \$10.00 per person



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



01 Dorthea Governale	15 Claude Jackson	01 Russell & Valerie Garrett
01 Pat Olesek	15 Chuck Olesek	01 Nicholas & Dorthea Governale
01 Gary Prechel	15 Linda Wiley	02 Armand & Marguerite Boisvert
02 Shirley Bartholomew	16 Arnold Irvine	02 Robert & Sue Brandon
02 Rita Beck	16 Mary McDonald	02 John & Norma Firestone
02 Nile Lahr	16 Sandra Carter	04 Dennis & Nancy Deuster
02 Janice Purvis	16 Maria Galella	04 Larry & Lucille Ferrigan
03 Bob Landry	16 Aaron Gindea	04 Joe & Andrea Fix
03 Theresa Master	16 Marlene Groeneveld	04 Bill & Lou Ann Murphy
03 Linda Sosley	16 Norma Kessler	06 John & Phyllis Nelson
04 Mary Ann Irvine	16 Patricia Spooner	06 Ron & Karen Swan
04 Margaret Priest	16 Robert Walker	06 Joe & Jill Thiel
05 William Daulby	16 Jeff Moss	06 Lou & Judy Vekasy
05 Jerry Piskorowski	16 Lucy Rucki	06 Ivan & Alicia Alonzo
05 Jan Strasser	17 Nina Greene	08 Mickey & Shelia Bowman
06 Carol Bailey	17 David Wilson	10 Bill & Sally Harris
06 Don Brown	18 Wayne Arnado	10 Roger & Dawn Quay
06 Beverly Sines	18 Julie Brown	11 Ted & Patricia Best
06 Bob Weeks	18 Martha Carpenter	11 Robert & Maria Galella
07 Lois Bronkema	18 David DeSchane	11 Brian & Janelle Green
07 James Maki	18 Julia Smith	11 Jim & Pixie Koenig
07 Michael Walker	18 Kathy Helmer	11 Richard & Rose Fabiszak
08 Mary Comers	19 Bart Bartholomew	12 Ellis & Rosa Epling
08 Judy Monte	19 Ann McCall	14 George & Nina Greene
09 Debra Crawford	21 John Shea	14 Larry & Joan Howell
09 Paul Williams	22 Marilyn Cooper	14 Robert & Janice Purvis
10 Ann Booth	22 Cheryl Racicot	15 Ralph & Ruth Gendron
10 John Doran	23 Elaine Wiener	15 Larry & Phemie Tullis
10 Shirley Faulk	24 Wanda Napier	16 Jim & Suzanne Thompson
10 Janet Williams	24 Nick Paradiso	17 Byron & Madelene Stitzer
11 Camilla Garland	24 Robert Sundberg	18 Karl & Shirley Olmhausen
11 Charlie Miller	25 Debra Rinaldo	18 James & Earline Ayres
11 Donna Weber	25 Jerry Bennett	20 Brian Susan Danielson
12 Barry Bronkema	25 Jan Wicker-Brown	20 Ron & Peggy Mangle
12 Mark Wilkinson	25 Eric Helmer	21 John & Debra Bragg
12 Ronnie Dail	27 Jack Allnut	24 Charles & Laura Daniels
12 Deborah Ouillette	27 Brian Parker	25 David & Carol Baaske
13 Paul Kroll	28 Judy Hoogterp	25 Rodney & Marilyn Cooper
14 Ruth Gendron	28 Carol Ladwig	25 Leo & Cheryl Racicot
14 Phyllis Griffin	28 Terry Suits	26 Daniel & Sue DeLaria
14 Joann Johnson	29 Cathy Daulby	28 John & Karen Clugston
14 Rod Luther	29 Sue Nicholson	28 Denny & Linda Wood
14 Gloria Reid	29 Jerry Hurless	30 Barry & Lois Bronkema
	30 Terry Elders	



Animal NewsSubmitted by: Denise Beauparlant, *Resident***CRITTER CORNER**

I have been involved with dog rescue for several years, and it has always had its challenges, but this past year has been far from normal for all aspects, of all of our lives. Last year at this time adoption numbers were record breaking, as families isolated by lockdowns were looking to add a furry friend to their families. In the past we have always done home visits to ensure that our dogs go to the best possible home, but with quarantine we had to resort to virtual home visits. Meet and greets with dogs had to be done in outside settings. But we rose to the challenge and placed 135 dogs.

Then the tide shifted this past fall. Donations began to evaporate, owner surrenders started to increase, and strays began to show up again. As usual, southern states have been particularly hard hit. Rescuers had made such progress in the past 20 years, bringing euthanasia rates down, and in some areas they were able to state they were finally “no kill”.

Sebring Angels takes in dogs that can no longer be cared for, with our main focus being Highlands County Animal Services. It costs us right around \$250 - \$300 to vet a healthy adult dog. Of course puppies are a bit more, and heartworm positive dogs around \$800 - \$1000. We are all volunteers, so every dollar we raise goes to the care and upkeep of the dogs we rescue. We prefer to use foster homes, as we find that dogs that have acclimated to a foster home, will have a much higher success rate with an adoptive family. However, the past 9 months we have been unable to recruit new fosters, a complaint we are hearing from rescues everywhere. As a result 10 of our dogs are in boarding. Although not ideal, we are confident that they are safe and well taken care of. The numbers of dogs and cats at county shelters throughout central Florida is staggering. Each week we receive a list of healthy young dogs that face euthanasia if not rescued. Sadly, county shelters must euthanize if they are out of space. Thankfully most of them work very hard at networking to try to get dogs out to rescues. But without the help of the community, rescues cannot step up.

So how can the average person help. Of course we always need fosters. We provide support with training, guidance, food, and prevention meds. Foster dogs also received veterinary care. The opportunity for that dog to live a good life is your paycheck for providing them with temporary care. Of course many people don't feel equipped to foster, especially if it is a big dog. We always need financial supporters. Monthly contributions are the most helpful, as it gives us a planning tool as well. We have a few sponsors for our prevention medication account, which is \$20 per dog per month. Vet sponsorships start at \$50 per month and boarding sponsors start at \$100 which will give a dog 10 days of boarding. Food sponsorships are also very helpful. \$50 will buy us 500 lbs of food from the area food pantry. Donations can be done through our paypal account at sebringangels@gmail.com or by mailing to Sebring Angels 4200 Sebring Parkway, #105, Sebring, FL 33870. To foster call 863-703-2364

We may not be able to save them all, but we are never going to stop trying!



Highlands Ridge Fall Arts and Crafts Show

Come join us at Founder's Hall!
3003 East Fairway Vista Drive, Avon Park
Saturday, November 13, 2021
Founder's Hall
8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Concession provided
All profits will benefit the HR Chorale!!



Augusta Model Nears Opening



ME Gose Builders are getting close to finishing the New Augusta Model located at 4250 North Course Lane. This 3 Bedroom 2 bath with 2 car garage plus golf cart garage has all the options you could want in a new home. From the open kitchen with beautiful island to the outdoor lanai with grill and fire pit area, this new home model captures all the fine points of luxury living at Highlands Ridge. Stay tuned for the Model Opening Announcement

Go to the website to see the floor plans and standard features



Call Lydia Taylor for more information



(863) 784 – 3313 or www.highlandsridgenewhomes.com

The Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
 meets in person
 November through April on the last Tuesday of the month.

The meeting is held in the Gazebo next to the swimming pool
 from 2:00pm-3:30pm.

The mission of the group is to provide support for caregivers in our community as well
 as information and resources relative to patient care in Highlands County.

This year we will continue meeting virtually throughout the
 summer and early fall.

Anyone who would like to participate, please contact
Sue Purdy at 614-457-2855.

Welcome to Paradise

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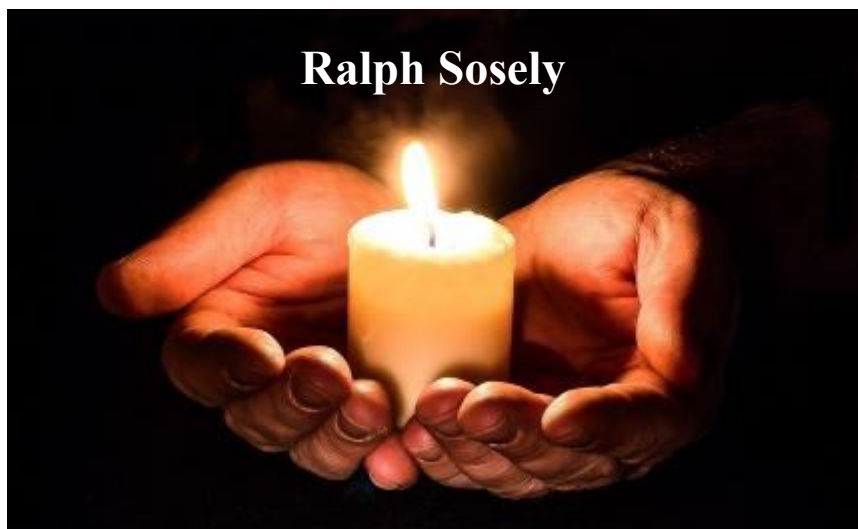
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In Loving Memory

Ralph Sosely



Marina Cove HOA

By: Susan Butrymowicz, *President*



Hello to All – The song says “April Showers Bring May Flowers”. I believe that Florida May Showers, June Showers, July Showers all brought Flowers.....and plenty of weeds in the gardens too. I guess we need to take the good with the bad and work hard to rid our flower beds of all the weeds. August is different – this month is bringing something else - something Highlands Ridge has been missing – namely our Canadian friends and neighbors. The news was released that the Canadian Borders are being opened and our friends and neighbors will soon be packing their bags and returning to the fold.

WELCOME BACK ALL!!!

In our last two Marina Cove HOA meetings, we discussed the need for new computers. While we were discussing the issue, a generous benefactor came forward and told us they would purchase two new computers for the library on behalf of Marina Cove. I am HAPPY to report that these two computers (Lenovo Idea Pad 3 15” FHD with windows 10) have been purchased and should be installed and ready for use the 1st week of September. We just need a couple of accessories to make the installation . We have one remaining computer that needs to be replaced and we are working on that now. We know that this contribution to Highlands Ridge Library on behalf of Marina Cove will be appreciated. It is there for your use at no cost. With your continued respect for this equipment, we are confident that It is there for your use at no cost. With your continued respect for this equipment, we are confident that these computers will last many years. Treat them like you would your own.

There is some exciting news to look forward to next year. Kathy Fenoff and her band of merry elves will be holding the Quarter Raffle on February 13th 2022. For those that are not familiar with this event – next month’s Gazette will have all the details. I can tell you that this event is a Marina Cove sponsored fund raising event for a charity of our choice. It is great fun for all.

Lastly, for the Bingo Lovers, our first night of Bingo will be held sometime in October. We are still looking for someone to run the Bingo Program so please let us know if you are interested or know someone who would enjoy this task. We are still also looking for workers – new and existing to step forward. You can call Bruce Mann (860-302-1941 or myself (920-265-1401). This is a great opportunity for our new residents to meet others and ask all of you to consider helping us get this activity up and running. It would be a shame if we could not get the support we need to make this activity a success. Thanks and we look forward to the return of Bingo Night!!!

LGA 9-Hole News

By: Cheryl Shine, *President*

We hope you all are enjoying your summer, and we look forward to your return to “Paradise”. Your LGA Board is planning another great year and we are hoping to add some new members to our group.

In the Fall, we will be announcing our LGA 9 Associate Membership. This membership is open to any non-golfing lady whether you are a permanent or temporary resident of Highlands Ridge. If you would like more information regarding LGA 9, please reach out to any member of the LGA 9 or to Cheryl Shine, President LGA 9 Ladies Group.

Just a brief reminder: Please sign up for Monday play by noon on Friday and Wednesday play by noon on Monday. If you sign up and must cancel, please contact the Pro Shop.

The Board and Events Committee is already planning a season of golfing fun and exciting golf/couples evening events. Check out our upcoming calendar of events and mark those calendars:

- November 3 Welcome Back Tournament
- November 4 Welcome Back Luncheon
- December 8 Christmas Golf Tournament
- December 9 Christmas Luncheon
- January 23 Sadie Hawkins Tournament and Dinner Dance (Couples)
- February 14 Valentine Day Golf Tournament
- February 17 Valentine Luncheon
- February 23 LGA 9/18 Mixer
- March 13 St Patrick’s Day Golf Tournament and Dinner Dance (Couples)
- April 4 Farewell Golf Tournament/Luncheon to follow



A huge thank you to Brenda Scruton for hosting the Summer Luncheons. A job well done!
Remember: it’s never too late to learn a new skill and it is important to learn something new every day. Therefore – please join us.
Safe travels as you return to Paradise. Looking forward to seeing you in the Fall.



LGA NEWS

By: Marianne Fischer, *Vice-President* HRLGA18@gmail.com



It is nice to see that several members are continuing to enjoy LGA days during the summer which seems to be rolling by more quickly than I can believe. No doubt the skills needed to play the North Course are being well honed to be ready for one of the first special events this November, the popular Round Robin. Hope you have chased those wild hogs out of the area. There have been few weather cancellations, in spite of the fact that the weather alert on my phone would have me believe that the lightening is all around daily. Stay safe from the weather and from COVID which I know we were all hoping would be on its way out by now.

Congratulations to Terry Kalis for her Hole in One on North Course #16 on July 29th. Way to go, Terry! Without assurance at this moment, we are looking forward to welcoming back the “snowbirds” from Canada who should be arriving as you are reading this. Soon we will all be getting reacquainted with the South Course and with each other. It is a great time to look forward to with these events already on the calendar:

November 8, 10, 12 Round Robin - North Course

November 15 Welcome Back Scramble – South Course

Lunch to follow in 3 GENS

November 18, 19 Divorce Open (Registration deadline Nov. 12)

November 20 Divorce Open Banquet

LGA members were recently sent a very informative rules discussion about issues encountered on the putting green which are covered under Rule 13 in the USGA/R&A Rules of Golf. It is a great area of study since strokes are played there during every round.

Another very important area of the Rules is Section X (ten): DEFINITIONS. Many answers to questions can be found by understanding golf terminology. This section in the back of the book near the index is an easy read. The USGA Rules of Golf are also available on an APP which includes the Player’s edition of the rules as well as the complete version of the rules and the Interpretations. Most players don’t like to read through the latter two sections which is why I suggest reading the definitions. Examples below.

Free relief is available when the player has interference from an Abnormal Course Condition which is any of the following:

Animal Hole

Ground Under Repair

Immovable Obstruction

Temporary Water

What is considered an **animal**? An **Animal** (with respect to Rules of Golf) is any living member of the animal kingdom (other than humans), including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and invertebrates (such as worms, insects, spiders, and crustaceans).

What is an **Animal Hole**? Any hole dug in the ground by an animal except for holes dug by animals that are also defined as loose impediments (such as worms or insects).

The term **animal hole** includes:

The loose material the animal dug out of the hole,

Any worn-down track or trail leading into the hole, and

Any area on the ground pushed up or altered as a result of the animal digging the hole underground.

Note to humans: Repair all your divots and rake all your footprints in the bunkers. Notice that footprints of animals don’t appear above under free relief unless included in the terms above. Happy Golfing!

SAVE THE DATE

Divorce Open 2021

Date: November 18, 19, 20

See insert for more information.





MGA News
By: Phil Hunter, *Secretary*



Safe travels back to Highlands Ridge!

The ponds are full again and the courses are green and lush with heavy rough that you'll need to avoid with long, straight drives.

Be sure to sign up at the S. Course screen room for the WELCOME BACK SCRAMBLE on the N. Course at 8:00 a.m. on Tues., Nov. 2nd. You'll need to pay your \$20 dues (checks only to HRMGA) before you play. 4 man teams will be computer chosen by handicap. Lunch is included as part of your dues and there'll be a brief meeting after.

The next November MGA event will be a TWO MAN SCRAMBLE on Tues., Nov. 16th and will take place at the S. Course at 12:30. Again, sign up in the screen room at the S. Course.

MGA calendars will be e-mailed to you and posted at both courses. There are usually two MGA events each month that take place on Tuesdays.

If any of you have had a hole-in-one this summer that was witnessed by another MGA member, be sure to contact Sam Cline or Phil Hunter to arrange for your \$50 payout.

It's important to be in the GHIN/World Handicap System to post your adjusted scores and maintain an accurate handicap from whatever tees you normally play from.

Anyone interested in becoming a new member of the MGA can contact any of the following MGA Board members: Jay Freeman, Randy Odell, Sam Cline, Phil Hunter, Kim Lathwell or Curt Dillman.

See you in the fall!



Marriage Made with a Long Putt : You spend too much time thinking about golf! Do you even remember the day we got married? Of course I do! It was the same day I sank that 45-foot putt.

A classic: Why do golfers always carry a spare pair of trousers with them? In case they get a hole in one.

The fisherman: What is the difference between a golfer and a fisherman? When a golfer lies, he doesn't have to bring anything home to prove it.

<https://blog.nextgengolf.org/golf-industry/10-funniest-golf-jokes>

NEWS FLASH FROM LGA 9 LADIES GOLF LEAGUE

LGA 9 Associate Membership (10th Hole Ladies Group)

The LGA 9 Golf League cordially invites any non-golfing lady who is a Highlands Ridge resident to join our upcoming Associate Membership in the Fall of 2021. Membership will be \$10.00 per year.

If you are interested please watch for details coming in late summer. Questions, please contact Cheryl Shine at csgarden@comcast.net



Highlands Ridge Holdings

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Highlands County
Recycling
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Waste Connections
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**Welcome Back Dance
Halloween Party
Saturday, October 30, 2021**



Featuring: Two Smooth Band
Founder's Hall : 7:00pm—10:00pm
Tickets: \$10/person
BYOB - Light Snacks provided
Prizes for:
Best Overall, Funniest, Most Original, Best Couple

Sign up at the administrative
office or call 863-471-1115
for more information.



Note: Costumes are not necessary. We want everyone to come out and enjoy the dance. You are retired—"come as you are" is very much welcomed!!

Please submit all gazette articles to gazette@highlandsridge.com by the 15th of the month prior to its publication.