

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MAY?

5/5 Cinco de Mayo Activity

5/6 Bulk Trash

5/8 Mother's Day

5/9 HR HOA Meeting

5/10 Resident's Council Meeting

5/17 OneBlood Blood Drive

5/17 Potluck

5/19 Movie & Ice Cream

5/20 Bulk Trash

5/30 OFFICE CLOSED

5/30 Memorial Day

Resident Updates

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UPDATE

In Loving Memory

Dolores Horvath

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JUNE?

6/3 Bulk Trash

6/16 Movie & Ice Cream

6/17 Bulk Trash

6/19 Father's Day

6/21 Potluck

Welcome

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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 bottle
Pickle ball Courts - bring your own water bottle
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

Any questions regarding these amenities please call the office at 863-471-1115.



Emeril Lagasse Air Fryer - just purchased but have no counter space for it. Asking \$100. Contact James Kessler at 863-382-9448





Welcome Back Dance

Saturday, November 5, 2022
7 pm Founder's Hall

Entertainment by: Two Smooth Band

Tickets: \$5 per person

Bring Your Own Beverage

Poker Players Wanted!
Tuesdays and Thursdays in
Activity Room 1
For more information
please contact
Bob Harper @ 863-267-2372

Movie & Ice Cream Thursday May 19, 2022 12:45 pm AR 2A

Movie: "Dear Viola"

Sign-up sheet located in FH



If you are an artist or just interested in painting you are invited to Open Studio in Founder's Hall each Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 pm.

It is a time to meet others who are creative and or have a desire to try a new medium (watercolor, acrylics, pastels, collage, etc.) Bring your own supplies and curiosity to do more of what you love or learn new things. Because of the summer season, the group will be small but when snowbirds return our numbers will increase! Happy creating!

Sue Purdy

Pickleball Club News

By: Dennis Ouillette, President

April 10th the Highlands Ridge Pickleball Association had the annual black light event. Fun was had by all.

On April 13th and 14th a pickleball clinic was held at Highlands Ridge. The clinic offered free lessons for beginning and intermediate pickleball players. Over 30 people participated in the event. Thank you to Susan Price for instructing the class!

The clinic was sponsored by Kim Oppold (Edward Jones).

Attached is a list of free investment classes being offered by Edward Jones. If you are interested in attending a class, you can contact Kim at 863-314-0453.

This month two new pickleball nets were added to our facilities.

Thank you Birdy.

Birdy also approved replacing two sunscreens and adding a third sunscreen.



Book Club News

By Mary E Harden, resident

The book club enjoyed a lovely lunch at the north course clubhouse this month while discussing a timely selection, "Year of Wonders", by Geraldine Brooks.

Inspired by the true story of Eyam, a village in the rugged hill country of England, Year of Wonders is a richly detailed evocation of a singular moment in history. Written with stunning emotional intelligence and introducing "an inspiring heroine" the author blends love and learning, loss and renewal into a spellbinding and unforgettable read.

The tale unfolds when an infected bolt of cloth carries plague from London to an isolated village and a housemaid named Anna Frith emerges as an unlikely heroine and healer. Through Anna's eyes we follow the story of the fateful year of 1666, as she and her fellow villagers confront the spread of disease and superstition. As death reaches into every household and villagers turn from prayers to murderous witch-hunting, Anna must find the strength to confront the disintegration of her community and the lure of illicit love. As she struggles to survive and grow, a year of catastrophe becomes instead annus mirabilis, a "year of wonders."

Next month we will return to the library to discuss "Eternal" by Lisa Scottoline. This meeting will be held on the second Thursday of May (May 12, 2022) so most of our snow birds can attend. As usual, our meeting will begin at 1:30 pm.

Hope to see you there.



Animal News

By: Denise Beauparlant, Resident



Like us senior pets need a little more TLC. Exercise is still a very important element in your senior pets life, however they can be quite sensitive to heat so take them for that walk in the cooler evenings. Never walk them on the hot pavement in these summer months and always have fresh water readily available. With senior cats they may need quite a bit of coaxing to burn some energy, but pet stores are full of great activity toys. A yearly well pet visit is essential to maintaining your best friends well being and to insure their vaccinations are up to date.

Most animal shelters, humane societies and rescues have lots of senior pets for adoptions. They make a wonderful choice for a new pet, as they are usually already house trained and are so overjoyed to be back in a home with people to love they are eager to please. I so admire folks who are looking for that special senior pet, especially when they realize that that cat or dogs muzzle might be a bit grey, or eyes a bit cloudy, but their hearts are still wide open for love. Recently an older lady called Sebring Angels and wanted to adopt one of older dogs. When I said that we could not guarantee his health and how long a future he had the lady laughed and said "I don't come with any of those guarantees either, should we ask him if he cares?" That little dog subsequently gave her a big slobbery kiss.

I often hear people say "I would love a pet, but at my age what happens to my pet if something happens to me." Well my answer is most reputable cat and dog rescues will make you sign a contract, that if you are unable to care for your pet it must be returned to that a organization. So senior adoptions are a win win for everyone. Won't you consider opening your heart and home to a senior pet? Please feel free to contact me if I have piqued your interest!

Paradise Pride News

By: Pam Wick, President



Paradise Pride is a committee within Highlands Ridge that realizes the importance of our courses, not only for our home values, but also for the enjoyment of our residents, guests, public and community.

Our mission statement is: To make Highlands Ridge golf course enhancements for our residents and welcomed guests. April started out gang-busters for Paradise Pride.

On April 2, we had our first Chili Cook-off. We had 8 volunteer cooks – Ben and Becky Hobbs, Charlotte Selvidge, John Ingram, Marge Freeman, Karen Swan, Curt Dillman, Storme Odell and Kent Henrich. Each entrant provided a HUGE crockpot of chili and attendees were able to sample them all (and then sample them again and again). Everyone voted for their favorite chili and we crowned the winner of the 2022 Chili Cook-off -- John Ingram with his Texas Wild Card Chili. The fun continued to the sounds of the No Name Band, who graciously played after dinner. Since this was our first attempt, we didn't advertise a lot, because we weren't sure how it would go. We took copious notes and hope to have an even better event next year.

Next up, the Masters Golf Tournament Pool... It appears that 18 people in Highlands Ridge knew something I didn't know and chose Scottie Scheffler. The winners split ½ of the money collected and each person that bet on Scottie won \$58.88. Congrats to Bob Landry, Paul Scruton, Nancy & Dan Ostapowicz, Patty Haas, Sheila Bowman, Rhoda Thiel, Jo Johnson, Jim Artos, Bruce and Deb Martens, Marty Cain, John Ouillette, Sara Moore, Phil & Deb Hunter, Larry Ferrigan, Rod Cooper, Ben Hobbs, John Marshall and Marilyn Videbeck.

Have you noticed the "new" tee blocks on the north and south course? Well, they aren't new, but many of them have been repainted, so they look new. At our next meeting, we'll start making plans for next year and determine projects that fit into our budget.

If you are interested in helping with these events or if you have a special talent or just want to donate money – please contact any of these committee members: Pam Wick, Marilyn Videbeck, Cheryl Racicot, Larry Ferrigan, Gary Kinser, Glenn or Nancy Guillemette.

Thank you for all your continued support in our efforts to make Paradise a little bit better.









WOW... To all in Highlands Ridge, a heart felt THANK YOU.

The Highlands Ridge fundraiser for my brother Randy was a beyond my wildest expectations, and will help him greatly. I've heard it said that Highlands Ridge community is family. I have seen this many times and feel so blessed to be a part of this FAMILY.

Special thanks to all the volunteers who inspired and executed this event:

Kim C, Kim E, Pixie K, Diane S, Jill T, Ingrid M, Phyllis S, Arlene M, Alicia A, Cheryl T, Martina K, Marc S, Jim K, John O, Ivan A, Paul S, Gary T and The No Name Band

If I have forgotten anyone, my apologies. My LOVE to all of you and Highlands Ridge.

Debbie and David Kendall







Marina Cove HOA By: Elaine Hall, Secretary

Following the annual board meeting of Marina Cove in April, the following members are the new board members:

Officers are:

Vice-President- Gary Kinser Treasurer- Bruce Mann Secretary - Elaine Hall

Kathy Fenoff Roger Quay Steve Safford

President - Dean Lemler Other members of the board are:

Our first meeting will be held in November of 2022 and we look forward to seeing you then.



The Ridge ReportBy: Birdy Whitehouse, *Property Manager* ~ *birdy@highlandsridge.com*



Hello everyone and welcome all new residents!

What a season it was this year!! I hope that while you were here this season; it was a great one! We will miss you and see you this fall. Safe travels this summer!!

This gazette is a 2 month issue—May and June. Please submit your article for July/August issue by June 20, 2022.

We will see you at the Cinco de Mayo luncheon in Founder's Hall between the hours of 11:30am to 2:00pm.

Happy Mother's and Father's Day to everyone! I hope you have a blessed day!!!

Founder's Hall Pool Deck Area: The umbrella bases have been replaced and purchased 2 new umbrellas. Please remember to roll down the umbrellas when you leave the pool table.

Activities Rooms: We have added a very nice pool table in activities room 1. I see lots of men playing pool on a daily basis. Thank you to Bruce Mann for finding this jewel of a pool table. Enjoy the pool table.

Tennis Courts: The tennis courts have been resurfaced. The courts look great!!

Road Repairs: The road repairs will be done within the next few weeks, weather permitting. The subcontractor will be here to mark the roads up for the repairs.

Marina Cove Residents: A management request form must be submitted to the administrative office for any type of exterior change to your home or lot per the Rules and Regulations. The request must be presented in writing prior to executing a contract with a vendor or performing any change. Please allow at least two weeks to review and research your request. Forms are available at the community information center board, online on our website, highlandsridge.com and in the administrative office.

Rules and regulations that are listed in your Prospectus or Covenants:

- 1. Stop at all stop Signs.
- 2. Speed limit is 20 mph.
- 3. Pets must be on a leash at all times and under control.
- 4. No signage other than a "for sale or for lease." (this includes political signs)
- 5. MUST have prior approval before performing any type of work on the exterior of your home!
- 6. ALL golf cart drivers must be at least 16 yrs. of age to drive a golf cart within the community.
- 7. Do not drive through anyone else's yard except for your own with your golf cart or vehicle!



Did you know? In 2022, the June solstice occurs on Tuesday, June 21, marking the start of summer in the northern hemisphere. It sure feels like summer now!

"Let's Keep Highlands Ridge Beautiful"

Highlands Ridge Resident's Council

By: Susan Ingram President



The Residents Council has approved a few purchases in the last few weeks. We purchased a canopy tent, TV wall mount for the Poker Club, and we distributed twenty-two gift cards to the Tavares for residents in each village. If you happened to receive a gift card, we hope you enjoyed your meal with a friend, neighbor or your spouse. All of these purchases were made possible, because of the \$5 per person assessment fee each year.

We have also helped to sponsor three block parties recently. The following neighborhoods have held block parties: North Course, Carter Creek and Pebble Creek/Bonnebrook Drive in Hidden Creek. The Pebble Creek block party was able to enjoy music provide by Holly Pearson Thank you Holly. We heard your music is great.

We are sad to see Linda Sosely say good-bye to us in the Residents Council and we would like to welcome Kathy Howitt. Kathy will be representing the North Course. Linda, we thank you for your time and hard work.

Our last meeting, until October, will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 22 at 9:45 AM in Founder's Hall gazebo. If your group has a monetary request, please plan on attending our meeting. We would love to see you!

We hope all our snowbird friends and neighbors have safe travels home, and we look forward to your return in the fall.

The Villages of Highlands Ridge HOA

By: Judy Burmaster, Secretary

The Board has changed slightly and want to make sure you have an updated list of everyone.

Pat Shine, President

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Nancy Guillemette, Vice President

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Judy Burmaster, Secretary

260 417 4724

Storme Odell, Treasurer

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It was good to see so many of you at the meeting. Mark Gose reported that a lot of progress is being made with the homes that have been started on the North Course and that the surveying problems with the villas have been resolved. The Board began discussion on potential new or improved amenities for the community. Jerry Hurless will be gone this summer. If you have any architectural questions or concerns, please contact:

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Jim Artos

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Nancy Guillemette will be added to the Architectural Committee for the summer. Several homes on the North Course were damaged in the hailstorm. Homeowners may go ahead and have damage repaired and then submit the forms to the Architectural Committee.

LGA 9-Hole News

By: Cheryl Shine, President

Thank you HR 9 Hole ladies for being part of this season's golf league and especially for participating in our tournaments.

Our most recent and sadly last tournament for this season was the Farewell Tournament followed by our Farewell Luncheon. Congratulations to Charlotte Selvidge for getting closest to the pin on hole #4. Our game was low putts.

Starting with the lowest putts, here are the winners: Elaine Hall, Rhoda Theil, Mary Ann Beyer, Helen Langan, Doris Morenzoni, Sue Nicholson, Monique Murdock, Sue Beaudoin, Brenda Scruton, Norma Walton, Sherry Baltzell.

Doris Morenzoni, who has served on the Tournament Committee for many years, will be stepping down at the end of this season. Thank you Doris for all the years you have been a part of making our HR 9 Hole Tournaments fun and successful. For those of us remaining at HR over the summer, Brenda Scruton will be posting a sign up sheet in the screen room for our summer luncheons.

Our dear friend and 9 hole LGA member, Sue Hall, will soon be leaving Highlands Ridge to begin a new chapter in her life. Sue, it goes without saying, we will miss you very much and wish you happiness and all the best with your new adventure.

To all who are leaving for the summer, we wish you safe travels North and a safe return to Highlands Ridge in the fall.







LGA NEWSBy: Marianne Fischer, *Vice-President MFischer2896@gmail.com*



The end of the 2021-2022 18 hole LGA season was met with beautiful weather and a very busy time. The long awaited "GOING GREEN" Member/Guest tournament was held on March 30th after a two-year delay. Eighty-four players enjoyed the day which included continental breakfast and chances to win the many donated baskets on display in the Tavern followed by golf on the North Course. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped the chairman, Rose Epling, with the planning and execution of the event. Several of the gentlemen volunteered to help stage the golf clubs and carts for the shotgun start. They also staffed a putting contest during the golf round. Lunch, favors, and prizes followed at Three Gens which was decorated cleverly to accentuate the theme.

Congratulations to Rose and her committees for a job well done.

Flight winners were: 1st- Karen Landry/Pam Davio; 2nd- Willie Faye Myers/Gloria Halbig;

3rd-Roseann Jewell/Mary Poleno; 4th-Deb Morgan/Shirley Bowling; 5th-Dawn Quay/Judy Devries

The Farewell Scramble, luncheon and meeting was held on April 6th during another beautiful day in Highlands Ridge. The committee of Pat Olesek, Joan White, Linda Hathorn and Shirley Olnhausen conjured up some fresh ideas for both the format and the decorations and favors featuring "Birdies" all day.

The golfing participants had the pleasure of utilizing a "throw" to extend their best shot in the scramble. The teams that best utilized their throw were probably among the winners below. By the way, throwing a golf ball accurately is not as easy as it sounds!

1st Place - Score 64 - Pam Wick, Cindy Becker, Nancy Ostapowicz, Cathy Miner

2nd Place - Score 64 - Pat Olesek, Sharon Borrell, Terri Griffin, Donna Landers

3rd Place - Score 64 - Marianne Fischer, Sondra Wade, Deb Martens, Anne Dillman

4th Place - Score 66 - Georgia Trissell, Louise Henrich, Sue Schinderle, Deb Morgan

5th Place - Score 66 - Carol Mitchell, Mitzi Norris, Shirley Olnhausen, Marian Nielson

6th Place - Score 66 - Rose Epling, Joan White, Jane Anne Dunham, Deb Zunk



Following a delicious lunch at Three Gens, members were reminded that dues for the new season beginning April 1 were due. We invite all interested lady golfers to join the 18 hole LGA by writing a check to HRLGA for \$20 and sending it to Georgia Trissell, Treasurer.

There were many happy winners as the meeting continued. Checks were presented to Deb Martens and Cathy Miner who split the hole-in-one pot. Both ladies scored aces during LGA events this season.

The scoring committees kept track of all the birdies made during LGA play and for each birdie, the member was awarded an entry into a drawing for a portion of the allotted "birdie kitty". Seven lucky winners were drawn with no one allowed to win more than once.

Our membership has always been inspired by those participants who have reached the age of eighty and continue to golf enthusiastically and serve willingly. This year, that vibrant group of nineteen "Great Ladies over eight (and ninety), each received a \$5 Three Gens gift card in appreciation of their participation.

Cindy Becker, who has energetically and efficiently led the LGA as president this season, thanked the board members and committee members for making the year the success it has been. Cindy has been a great president as was recognized by the standing ovation she received from the attendees. She introduced the board for the new season which are: Marianne Fischer, president; Judy Artos, vice-president; Bobbi Pinckney, Secretary; Georgia Trissell, Treasurer; Nancy Owens, Games Chair.

Cindy then accepted gifts in appreciation of her service which were a shawl crafted by Deb Martens and an engraved watch by Fossil. Thank you again, Cindy, for a great year.

Begin this interim summer season with enthusiasm for the 2022-2023 year, continue to make birdies wherever you are, and travel safely wherever you are going. Good luck to the Interclub team.

Planning ahead, look forward to: Round Robin, Nov. 7-11; Welcome Back Scramble, Nov. 16; Divorce Open, Nov. 17-19.



MGA NewsBy: Phil Hunter, *Secretary*

We'd like to welcome Sonny Baltzell, Bob Landry and John Ouillette to the MGA Board and thank you Jay Freeman, Curt Dillman and Sam Cline for their dedication to the MGA over the years now that their terms have ended, and they've decided to step down.

Our other Board members are: Randy Odell, Phil Hunter and Glenn Guillemette.

Congratulations to Steve Tullar who had a double eagle on hole #7 on March 19th at the North Course!!! He was playing with Dan Mitchell, Jim Brown and Dave Pfiester.

Gary (Dobie) Dobereiner has decided not to continue organizing the Member/Guest. We'd like to thank him for his many years of advance planning, time and effort putting this great event together. For over 10 years, he's always tried to keep costs down, include prizes, meals and refreshments and to make sure each member and guest receives a great tee gift.

Here are the results from this year's Round Robin Format MEMBER GUEST:

1st flight: Landry/Fecteau 59, D. Brown/O'Laughlin 55, Kidd/Kidd 52

2nd flight: Taylor/Brock 67, S.Tullar/High 57, Buff/Buff 45

3rd flight: Niehoff/Szelagowski 62, Moore/Colglazier 52, Martens/McGehee 49

4th flight: Hunter/Moth 66, Hobbs/Hobbs 61, Garland/Clauson 48

5th flight: Cline/Conner 59, Weeks/Carter 56, Haas/Ponterelli 53

6th flight: Olesek/Olesek 57, Baltzell/Musch 55, Wade/Nichols 50

Last month the March PLAY WITH THE HR PRO team results were listed. Here are the individual winners for that event who have received \$25 for their score combined with the Pro's score:

1st flight: Ed Duncan 64, 2nd flight: Jim Ashcraft 63, 3rd flight: Mike Wade 63, 4th: Chuck Olesek

Look for the results of our final PLAY WITH THE HR PRO event held in April in the next Gazette article. The GOING AWAY SCRAMBLE results will be in the next Gazette article too.

Happy golfing and safe travels to those heading North!



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Golf Courses North: 863-453-9991 South: 863-471-2299

Highlands County 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 800-700-8744 Service

City of Sebring Utilities Department 863-471-5112 / 471-0166

> Century Link I-800-788-3600

Comcast Cable 1-800-934-6489

Tax Collector 863-402-6685

Waste Connections Garbage Collection 863-655-0005









Congratulations John Ingram for "Best Chili" in Highlands Ridge!

















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