# LAUREL ESTATES

## Social Club Newsletter

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JANUARY 2012

Welcome to 2012 Happy New Year!! We have many things to look forward to during the second half of the season. Computer class, monthly movies, pancake breakfast, more birthday parties, trash & treasure and spaghetti dinner besides happy hour, dances, potluck dinners and good times.

As you know, everyone who works on the various activities is an unpaid volunteer. We couldn't exist without them. I really messed up at the Dec birthday party. I totally forgot to thank the wonderful ladies who baked all of the delicious birthday cakes. Laura Hagenbarth, Sharon Smith, Becky Henry and Louise Burns, thank you, thank you, please accept my apology and know that you are appreciated.

Norma Martin was scheduled for the upcoming birthday party, however she is moving back to IN. After some schedule changes, I was able to get the North Ft Myers Academy of the Arts Steel Drum Band to help us out. PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE. The birthday party for January will be on January 19th at 7pm. If you missed them last year, you're in for a real treat. You'll definitely want to be in the audience that evening.

Best Wishes and Be Happy. Faye

The newsletter is published once a month from Nov. through April. This is where you want to let everyone in the park know of special activities and news.

Please place notices in the newsletter mailbox in the clubhouse (just inside the big accordion doors) or send a note to Jan Zylstra at newsletter@laurelestates.com—the deadline is the 20th of each month.

#### PHONE DIRECTORY

PLEASE NOTIFY JANICE IGNATOWSKI WITH ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE DIRECTORY.

Anyone who has not received a phone directory, please contact Janice and I will see that you receive one. Thank you, Janice Ignatowski

WELCOME LADY: Beth Thompson SUNSHINE LADY: MaryLouise Filer

E-MAIL: newsletter@laurelestates.com

This month we are launching a new feature in the newsletter called **VOLUNTEER of the** 



Do you know who is responsible for putting all of those little letters in the outdoor display case which lists all of our special events by date?? Every month MINNIE BURKE faithfully places all of those letters and numbers one by

MONTH.

one, in order, with proper spacing, spelled correctly on those boards for all of the residents to see. Minnie does a fantastic job and we are extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated volunteer of such high caliber.

Have you ever thought about who cares for our flags, purchases new flags and always flies special flags when we have a death? **NORMAN BURKE** has been dutifully watching over and taking care of our flags for a number of years. Putting up Christmas decorations, putting out luminaries, other volunteer projects, Norm is always there to lend a hand. We definitely appreciate Norm's efforts which help make Laurel Estates a wonderful place to live. Our thanks for a job well done.

Many, Many thanks Minnie & Norm

#### Welcome New Owners:

Peter Alvarez

Hal Hannon

## **New phone number:**

Henry, George & Becky

## Current Events and News

**SOMETHING NEW** - have you heard of a "Trunk Show"? There's going to be one here on Wed., Jan. 18 at 10:00 am!!! Ladies, come see what it's all about - one of our very own residents has many surprises for you!! Join in the fun - see you there!!!!

Gather your items for the annual **Trash & Treasure Sale** coming up the 1st weekend of March. Contact
Larry Smith at for **pickup on Mondays from 10:30 - 1:30.** No mattresses or clothing - please make sure that your trash is clean and in working condition.

Pancake Breakfast—Sat., Jan. 29 from 7:30—9:00 am. Pancakes, eggs & sausage and something you will enjoy along with your friends!! Please invite them—hope to see you there.

Only \$3.50/person. Further information will be on the bulletin board, or contact Bob (Boomer) & Judy Binsfeld after the first of the year.

The annual Ice Cream Social will be on Sun., Jan. 15. Lots of delicious ice cream & toppings will be available: bananas, nuts, cherries, hot fudge, butter-scotch, chocolate, whipped cream & more!! We will also be serving sugar free products. Plan now to attend & please sign the sheet on the bulletin board by Thursday, Jan. 12, so we can prepare for your enjoyment. The cost will be \$3.00/person, collected at the door.

The first meeting of the **Fun N Friends** social group will be **Wed., Jan. 4th, from 10 am-Noon** in the social hall. Many projects will be going on: jewelry making, scrap booking, painting, and purses from old neckties. If you have a special project, please bring a sample to share & join us. **The second Wed. of each month we enjoy a potluck lunch at Noon** following the work session. **Bring a dish to pass,** or, if you prefer, we could make plans to go out for lunch.

Computer Class returns weekly to the Laurel Estates clubhouse beginning Tuesday, January 17th, at 10:00 am. The first topic will be Computer Selection and Use. We will discuss what to look for when purchasing a new or used laptop or desktop computer, how to setup your system, how to get started using the system, and what software should be installed to use and protect your system.

The second session on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, will cover connecting to the Internet, selecting an Internet service provider, Internet browser software, e-mail options, and how to keep your computer and your personal data safe and secure.

Jim Rudolph

Thanks for your everyday deeds - Thanks again to all!

My thoughts for 2012 -

\*\*Live one day at a time

\*\*Been there - Done that

\*\*What if.....

Myrna Stroble

LAUREL ESTATES BLOOD DRIVE

Where: Clubhouse

Date: Wednesday, January 11

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m;

PLEASE GIVE - SAVE A LIFE !!!!!

It just dawned on me that most of my personal emergency information for the park is incorrect!! Has your NORTH-ERN address changed in the past 5 years or perhaps longer? How about the telephone numbers and name of your emergency contact should something happen to you while you're at Laurel? PLEASE, please fill out a new information form in your January Newsletter and return it to Beth Thompson, our new Laurel Welcome person at the annual Lot Owners Meeting on Jan 20th. The information you provide will ONLY be used in an

The information you provide will ONLY be used in an Emergency. Please help to make sure we can contact your loved ones in the event of an emergency. **Thank you for your cooperation.** 

Take a minute to look at the **new bulletin board** on the West side of the building. It's bigger, easier to read, waterproof and a nice addition to our park. Starting this

month we will use the bulletin board on the East side of the building for emergency numbers and posters for special events instead of using the doors as bill-boards.

Complete lists of events will only be found in the display case on the West side of the building as well as in your monthly newsletter calendar.

A total of \$783.00 was collected in 2011, along with many boxes of food and a real good collection of gifts for the kids.

Many thanks again -Earl Harvey

#### **RED HAT MATTERS - January 2012**

To all who have just returned to Laurel for the start of a new season - WEL-COME!

Our third Red Hat meeting will take place Thursday, Jan. 5, at 11 a.m.

For new residents of Laurel - if your Social Club dues are paid up to date and you would like to join a group of women to celebrate life after 50 as well as fellowship & fun, contact Queen Helene.

The 2nd Event took place Sun., Dec. 18 at the Broadway Palm Theater w/the musical "White Christmas". A great way to start off the Christmas season. Afterwards we had a reservation at the "Elephant Bar" for an early dinner. 16 of us attended the event hosted by Beth, Marie, Wilma & Judy C. We all enjoyed it, I'm sure! Thank you, girls for a great day.

To all our friends in the park - The Red Hat Jewels cookbook will be available this month. With a donation of \$10 to go to the Abused Children of Domestic Violence, you will receive a beautiful book & help the children in need. Thank You!!

"Winter is a lingering season, it's a time to gather golden moments, embark upon a sentimental journey, and enjoy every idle hour" Oueen Helene Movie Night returns Thursday, January 26th, at 7:00 pm in the clubhouse. For January we will be showing The Help staring Emma Stone, Academy Award®-nominated Viola Davis (Best Supporting Actress, Doubt, 2008), Octavia Spencer and Bryce Dallas Howard.

The Help is an inspirational, courageous and empowering story about very different, extraordinary women in the 1960s South who build an unlikely friendship around a secret writing project — one that breaks society's rules and puts them all at risk. Filled with poignancy, humor and hope The Help is a timeless, universal and triumphant story about the ability to create change.

We'll pop the popcorn. You bring your own favorite beverage and several of your neighbors. Come join us as we pull down the big screen and crank up the audio system for this critically acclaimed and potentially Oscar nominated movie.

### WEEKLY ACTIVITES FOR THE SEASON

MON. - SAT.

9:00 am - Pool Exercise

#### **MONDAY:**

9:00 am - Fun Golf

12:30 pm - Fun Shuffle

1:00 pm - Mah Jongg

6:00 pm - Poker

6:00 pm - Euchre

#### **TUESDAY:**

10:00 am - Computers

12:30 pm - Shuffle - Team

**Practice** 

7:00 pm - Pinochle

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

10:00 am - Fun & Friends

12:30 pm - Shuffle League

6:30 pm - Bingo

#### **THURSDAY:**

8:00 am - Open Golf

9:30 am - Line Dancing

7:00 pm - Ladies Fun Cards

#### FRIDAY:

9:00 am - Fun Shuffle

#### **SATURDAY:**

7:30 am - Coffee Café

9:00 am - Bocce (Jan.)

#### **SUNDAY:**

7:00 pm - Dart Baseball

**CUT THIS OUT AND** MARK YOUR FAVOR-**ITE ACTIVITIES ON** YOUR CALENDAR!!!!

#### NEW OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION

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#### LOT OWNERS NEWS

On January 20 at 7:00 pm, the annual meeting for the Laurel Estates Lot Owners Association, Inc. will be held in the clubhouse. This year, in addition to any business that must be conducted, we will have a special guest. Don Gustafson of Ultra 5 LLC will attend the meeting to "meet and greet" all residents. All residents should take advantage of this opportunity to meet the new owner. Please remember that if your Lot Owners dues had not been paid by Dec. 31, 2011, you are not eligible to vote at this meeting. Rumor has it there may be coffee and cookies after the meeting

By now all of us should have sent back the information requested by the new owners, Ultra 5 LLC. In that info there was a statement that you had read the Deed of Restrictions. I trust that if you signed the document you did actually read it. Please remember that the Deed of Restrictions covers all people who reside in Laurel Estates. All visitors and/or renters must abide by the Deed as well. You as owners are responsible for the actions of your guests and/or people who rent from you.

Bruce Zylstra, President

Laurel Estates Lot Owners Assoc. Inc.

#### REPORT FROM

**MARYLOUISE FILER -**SUNSHINE LADY

#### **HOSPITALIZATIONS:**

11/26 Wendell Cross

11/28 Phil Trexler

12/4 Gilbert Dickerson

12/8 Clarene Trexler

**DEATHS:** 

12/17 Don Leas

## Join the Birthday Party!!

## **January Birthdays**

- 2 Teresa Provencher
- 4 Cheryl Tobin
- 5 Tommie Thompson
- 10 Helen Onyett
- 11 Lois Fritz
- 11 Marcy Linton
- 12 Jerry Forsythe
- 13 Joan Alberghini
- 14 Harvey Luke
- 14 Sue Suhr
- 15 Linda Barber
- 15 Jane Kohn
- 16 Harley Lowery
- 18 Madeline Clark
- 20 Dorothy Lowery
- 20 Judy Schlundt
- 22 Jack Swick
- 23 Robert Routzahn
- 26 Michael Tobin
- 29 Betty Stewart

### **July Birthdays**

- 5 Carol Clark
- 5 Joyce Crites
- 5 Richard Menzel
- 9 Philip Trexler
- 10 Theresa Krieger
- 11 Tom Williams
- 12 Steve Smith
- 14 Karen Leonard
- 15 Gail Goad
- 19 Larry Trahan
- 20 Sandra Routzhan
- 22 Pat Myrom
- 23 Pat Hunter
- 28 Sylvia Bordo
- 28 Penny Smith
- 30 Laura Hagenbarth

Entertainment By: Academy of the Arts Steel Band