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Happy New Year 2008!

“Michigan Lights the Way”



We Light the Way with a host of activities to start your New Year, beginning with New Year's Eve, December 31st. Music for dancing is provided by our own Johnny Taylor from 7:00-10:00PM (Senior New Year Midnight Time, as clocks are set ahead). Bring your own drinks and table snacks. We'll furnish hats, noise makers and Champagne, along with Subs at “Midnight”. All for \$10.00 per person.

Come join us for our Complimentary Coffee Hour on Saturday, January 5th. We'll be serving lots of delicious homemade goodies at 8:30AM. Our next activity is the Salad/Card Party on January 14th at 12:30PM, at a cost of \$1.00. Bring a dish for the luncheon table and enjoy good food, fun and prizes.

On January 19th, we are trying something new—a Comedy Murder Mystery Night. We'll be serving delicious ham and rolls for the Planned Potluck. In case you're wondering what a Planned Potluck is, here are the facts. We furnish the meat, rolls and coffee. Each table plans the rest of the menu and each couple brings a dish to pass for their table. BYOB—5:30PM; Dinner—6:00PM; Murder Mystery—7:00PM. Please remain at your seat during the performance. Later you'll be given a ballot for “Who Dun It”, all at a cost of \$6.00.

Our last event will be a dinner/dance on January 26th. Come to enjoy Gourmet Chicken with all the trimmings, made by Michigan's favorite cooks, Joe & Joyce Kent. BYOB—5:30PM; Dinner—6:00PM; and dance music provided by Jon Sampson from 7:00-10:00PM, at a cost of \$9.00. Don't forget to buy your lighthouse raffle tickets!

Chairpersons: Don & Joanne Steward,
(Standing in for Sam & Sue Elliott)

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR FOR ANY FUNCTION

DO NOT sign your name for a function without first purchasing your ticket!

Tickets for all functions are sold at Saturday Morning Coffee Hour & Wednesdays 10:00-11:00AM

Saturdays Coffee Hour was special on Saturday, December 15th. Tom & Phyllis Bailey donated the donuts in honor of their 55th Anniversary and also Happy Birthday to Phyllis.
8:30-?



Also a Big Thanks to all the Eagle Point Bell Ringers, who helped ring those bells at Publix.

Thank You

EAGLE POINT DECORATIONS


A big “Thank You” to Betty Jett and her crew for helping “Mother Eagle” decorate the flag pole again this year! Also for staying awake, fixing all the lights that kept going on the blink. Eagle Point looked bright and pretty!



We know it's a little early for the Super Bowl but tickets will be available before the next *Screaming Eagle* is published. SO, be sure to join us for a Super Bowl Pizza Party, February 3rd for all you can eat pizza, just \$3.00 for residents and \$5.00 for guests. BYOB and bring your own snacks! Time will be announced later.

Joyce Rice will be posting pools at least two weeks before kick off—for \$1.00 per square. So come join the fun! Who knows, you may be a winner!

Jim Vail, Super Bowl Chairperson



IN MEMORIAM
John Pskowski #246 — 11/27/07
 (former resident)
Esther Harradine #35 — 12/10/07

Blood
Pressure
10:00AM

January 17th in the Social Hall
Eva Montgomery



EAGLE POINT WOMEN'S CLUB

The annual Christmas meeting was held Wednesday, December 19th. Of course, not much work was accomplished, but everyone had a good time, good refreshments, and gifts were exchanged during the reading of "T'was The Night Before Christmas" by Millie Flynn.

We welcome all ladies of Eagle Point to join in with the activities of our Park. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 16th at 1:00PM. We will be in the final planning stages for our Annual Rummage Sale, scheduled for February 8th.

Submitted by Diane Young, for
Carol Rhoades, President

NEW RESIDENTS

RUSH, Dennis & Judy #114

DIRECTORY UPDATE

RICKHEIT, Peter & Meredith #125 (941) 639-4063
 GUTMANN, Robert & Sharlene #19—(941) 637-1522

EAGLE POINT ON PARADE

Led by Eagle Point's New John Deere Tractor, driven by Ken Robert, Hal Kidderman's Super decorated Boat, filled with our residents, and traffic directed by Bob Gasper, on December 18th, it was a great parade!

Prizes for homes were:

Grand Prize = Jett's #91; 2nd Prize = Gasper's #164; 3rd Prize = Sandusky #248; 4th Prize = Flynn's #150.

Golf Carts:

Most Beautiful = Petty's #196; Most Fun = Curry's #52; Loudest = Boger's #97;
 Most Original & Most Lights = Lapcinski's #194

Bikes:

Cutest = Kailyn Theobald (Visitor); Prettiest = Chip Theobald (Visitor); Best Decorated = Pat Gasper #164

Judged by River Haven

A BIG "Thank You" to all who helped make this a fun evening! Eagle Point was all lit up!

Joyce Hassig
Chairperson

An added "Thank You" to Eva Montgomery for the Santa float picture that she placed in everyone's mail tube!



CHARLOTTE HARBOR ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

We understand there will be boat trips in January, but no decision to the dates. There may be more news about this posted after January 1st. Many of our E.P. Residents and families have been to visit our center and had a great experience. Come join us! Happy 2008 from CHEC.

Chet Lewis, long-time guide #168 at (941) 661-5850.



Horseshoes

There isn't very much to report. We are still practicing on **Wednesday at 9:00AM**. **We need more pitchers!** We went to an organizational meeting on Saturday, December 1st at the Upriver Park. We are starting the first league games on **Wednesday, January 2nd at 8:30AM**. The Eagle Point team will meet at the Social Hall parking lot and go together in two vehicles. **We will leave at 7:30AM**, so we can arrive in time for practice. We will go to Pioneer Village for our first match. **The fees for league have risen to \$3.00 this year. Please pay Opal on the first day, if possible.**

We hope to see you at the courts!

Mel or Opal Harms—639-3295

Bingo

Our Bingo games are going real well. We haven't taken an official count, but there is about 50-60 folks in attendance. We are presently serving coffee and cookies at half time.



The pots are about \$18.00 and they seem to holler "**Bingo**" a lot faster with more people playing. Come join us for a good time! We will be glad to explain how we sell cards and pay off. We'll help you get started. Just bring dimes, nickels and a few quarters!

See you on Wednesday, before 7:00PM!

Opal Harms, Chairperson
Wanda Royer, Co-Chairperson

Euchre

No Report for December! It's a great game, come join us!



Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard is going good on Monday afternoons. Our missing Captains, Fred & Ruth Slager, who left us for a snowy Christmas, will be back soon and we'll be able to see how much everyone has improved. I challenge the shufflers to try and get

your new neighbors to join in playing this year! It's a fun way to get acquainted and make new friends. It is also a great way to become active. **Dot Rittenburg is the Captain for the Wednesday**

9:00AM group and they need folks to come out to shuffle. On **Friday, the 2:00PM** has had very few to shuffle, and not always enough to play. **Come let us play Shuffleboard!**

Mel & Opal Harms

Wednesday Scores

Maria Murphy-11 wins; Jim Vail -11 wins; Dot Walters -9 wins; Diane Young-8 wins; Dot Rittenburg-8 wins

CRIBBAGE

We are still in the process of forming a Cribbage Club and We Need more players.

At the present , we are playing at 1:30PM in the Social Hall, however, the day and time may change in the future. Come join us, learn, and have a lot of fun!

Jim Vail, 575-1001



EAGLE POINT BOWLING

No Report for their December Bowling, but we are certain they can use more bowlers for the session that starts on **January 24th**. If you would like to bowl on a team or sub this session, please get in touch with us. We have a lot of fun and get some exercise at the same time—**come join us!**

Rhoda Reedy—575-8879 or Ann Baillis—575-1513



E. P. LADIES GOLF

Eagle Point Ladies Golf at Blue Heron Pines will resume Tuesday, January 8th. Come join us. Be sure to sign up each week on the sheet posted on the sports bulletin board in the social hall.

Char Flannery—639-2842

BOARD BITS

It's happening all over; as population grows and people continue to move into new areas, the wildlife that once made this area their home, has been pushed out. We are told that wild pigs roamed throughout **Florida** before **Ponce de Leon** arrived, so where have they gone over the years as civilization has spread? Maybe some of them moved in with their kids, but wherever they went temporarily, they seem to think **Eagle Point is a pretty nice place** and have decided to move back. When they do that, **they really are most unwelcome**. **We've taken over this area, and we certainly don't appreciate them showing up once again to rout up our yards!**

So, we've called in the cavalry which has arrived with traps and paraphernalia and are doing what they can to remove them. These four-legged residents might think this is their territory, but we hope to send them back to wherever they had recently been foraging. **In the meantime, don't crowd them, and certainly don't feed them.** We're doing what we can to get rid of them.

Eight civic-minded neighbors have volunteered to serve as members of our Board of Directors. You will want to meet them and become better acquainted with them. Their bios that are posted on the bulletin board in the Social Hall are very interesting and tell a lot about these candidates. This brief introduction will prepare you in advance to attend the "Meet the Candidates Night", January 8th. Be there at 7:00PM to meet each of these folks and to learn of their qualifications to help direct our beautiful park for the next two years. See you there.

Attend the Eagle Point Annual Shareholders Meeting, Tuesday, January 22nd, at 2:00PM.

Eagle Point Board of Directors


SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The **Social Committee** is going through a period of change. Several of the committee members have resigned and it was decided to try to make the **Social Committee a Standing Committee under the EPHI Board of Directors.**

By this time, you should have received your ballot packet for the shareholder meeting including a ballot and amendments to the EPHI By-Laws. Don Steward is the temporary chairperson of the Social Committee.

The pool is open and the **Christmas Pool Party on December 22nd** was fun and we had lots to eat. Everyone had a great time.

Christmas Day Dinner, prepared by John & Marilyn Hermann, and their crew was again a great success and "Thanks" to all who helped.

ALOHA  "I love a parade". We will have a parade Hawaiian Style—April 4, 2008—decorate your cart or bike, dress in Hawaiian Style clothes! Lots of prizes. Last chance for Eagle Point to say goodbye to our "Snowbirds" in Style. We will dance, but not with joy to see our Winter Family leave us for the summer!

Funny thing! We heard that a 'guy' is getting paid to dance with the women at our big dances! Wonder who?

FROM YOUR EDITORS

Happy New Year! December was a busy month and lots of fun activities. The Park decorations were beautiful and we know that many residents chipped in to help. On another note, please stop by the "mail shed" whenever you get your daily mail. The mail person does NOT deliver packages to your door, unless they are special delivery. We know the last mail lady did bring those packages to your home, but it was a courtesy on her part. Thanks!

February DEADLINE—January 21st



Artists
At
Work!



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