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CAN-AM Wishes You A Happy Thanksgiving



The Can-AM group starts the season wishing every one a **Happy Thanksgiving** and **Complimentary Homemade Treats** during **Coffee Hour** on **November 3rd** at **8:30AM**. It's a great time to meet your neighbors and catch up on Park activities.

The **Salad Card Party** is scheduled for **November 12th**, at **12:30PM**. Bring a dish for the luncheon table and play your favorite game for a cost of **\$1.00**.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER Thursday, November 22nd

BYOB—3:30PM—The Annual Dinner will be served in the Social Hall at **4:00PM**.

Turkey, Gravy, Rolls, Butter, Coffee & Tea will be furnished. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for you to bring a dish to the Pot Luck Table and bring your own table service.

Residents—\$3.00 Guests—\$5.00

Last on the calendar is **Entertainment Night**, featuring the **Entertainers** on **Friday, November 30th**, from **7:00PM to 10:00PM**. It's **BYOB** and snacks for your table at a cost of **\$6.00**.

Tickets for all events are sold during Saturday at Coffee Hour and on Wednesdays 10:00-11:00AM.

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR FOR ANY FUNCTION

Sharon Williams, Chairperson

Donna Smith, Co-Chairperson

DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR ON SUNDAY

MORNING, NOVEMBER 4th

WHEN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS! (Fall Back)



Vote!

Don't forget to VOTE

November 6th.

It is a privilege for each individual to vote for the candidate of their choice!

Thank You



VETERAN'S DAY SERVICES

Sunday, November 11th

11:00AM—Gather around the Flagpole for the Flag Raising.

11:45AM—Veterans Services will be held in the social hall, followed by a Lite Lunch of Sausage Sandwich or Hot Dog, Baked Beans, Ice Cream, Cookies, Coffee or Tea.

Prepared by John & Marilyn Hermann

This is Free to all Veterans—All others—\$1.50 Advance tickets are on sale, see Joyce Raftery.

This event is hosted by Bud & Eileen McLaughlin and Jim & Joyce Raftery.



CRAFT FAIR

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IN MEMORANDUM

Ted Garvais #242—6/01/07
Beverly Desbiens #122—6/07/07
Catherine Miller #156—6/16/07
Ralph Miller #156—7/09/07

Former Residents

Mae Voris #171—April, 2007
Abby O'Brien #131—5/23/07
Gerald Mainland #242—6/01/07
William Voris #171—7/10/07
Sally Jones #60—Sept. 2007



WELCOME HOME RESIDENTS

A big "Thank You" for taking care of all your 'loose' articles before you left. Thankfully, we did not have a hurricane yet this season, but of course, the season does not end until November 30th, so stay alert.

Larry Strother
Disaster Committee



This guy swam with the dolphins in Hawaii and had a wonderful time!
Les, you must stop kissing them or Helen will get angry!

Blood Pressure
10:00AM

November 19th in the Social Hall
Eva Montgomery

DIRECTORY UPDATE

DISHER, Wilfred & Anna—#76—575-9718
FENDICK, John & Maxine—#193—916-9133
(Please note that 916 is the new phone exchange in Punta Gorda)

NEW RESIDENTS

MACHIELA, Robert & Carol #55
VOTAW, James & Shirley #79
BOGER, Delbert & Virginia #97—IN
NAVARRO, Vito & Ann #236—NY

EAGLE POINT WOMEN'S CLUB



The Eagle Point Women's Club Meeting is scheduled for November 14th, (2nd Wed. instead of the 3rd) due to Thanksgiving.

A box will be placed in the Social Hall for the collection of canned goods to be given to the Salvation Army to distribute to local charities. Let's all try to remember the ones not as fortunate as we!

Carol Rhoades, President

WRECK ROOM NEWS

The Wreck Room has been refurbished again! The walls have a new paint job. Thanks to Ray Flannery and Glen Petty, there is now a chair rail on the walls to avoid the chair backs from scratching the paint.

For those who haven't been to the Wreck Room, please come to enjoy a game of pool, cards, and many other activities. It is located on the east side behind the Office. The Rules are posted and please help keep the room clean.

CHARLOTTE HARBOR ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER



The Center invites Eagle Point residents to participate in the following: Recycle newspapers and cans either at the neighboring CHEC site or in the barrels at #168. Come to the November 5th Volunteer Meeting at the Caniff Visitors Center at 9:00AM to see what the CHEC volunteers do and hear a presentation by CEO Al Cheatham. Attend the Charlotte Harbor Nature Festival on November 3rd, at 10:00AM, at the Charlotte Sports Park. Join us in a shallow water wading adventure at Ponce DeLeon Park, west end of Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda on November 27th at 9:30AM—or —
Just come next door to walk our trails, enjoy our wildflowers and (if you are very quiet) get a peek at our abundant wildlife. Thanks!

Chet Lewis, #168 661-8353

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We've had a lot of activity during the summer months at Coffee Hour. Although there were not as many residents in the Park, we carried on! On Saturday, October 6th, Jim & Joyce Raftery donated the donuts in honor of their 62nd Anniversary! On Saturday, October 13th, Ralph & Connie Marquette donated the donuts in honor of their 65th Anniversary! On Saturday, October 27th, the donuts were donated by Marguerite Leavitt's sister, who just retired after 38 years of nursing service.

Thank You

Horseshoes



We are ready to start pitching for a new season! We need all the pitchers we can get to join us! We need at least 8 devoted pitchers to pitch on a team that belongs to a N. Ft. Myers League. That League play usually starts the first Wednesday, 8:30AM, January, 2008. In the meantime, we need lots of practice and practice! You can do it anytime on your own or we will meet at 9:00AM on Wednesdays to play together and help each other improve our pitching. The courts are for all Eagle Point residents, but we ask that if you use them, please water and cover them again when you are finished playing. Any questions, Call—Mel or Opal Harms—639-3295



Shuffleboard

It is time to put the shuffleboard courts to use! Fred & Ruth Shager are back for the winter and they have been Captains on Monday and Friday afternoons for the past couple years. We have already been playing during October, so join us in November on Monday & Friday at 2:00PM. We do need a Captain for the Wednesday morning 9:00AM shuffle. We want to Thank Anathlee Wright for being Captain for many years, but due to health problems, she has to give it up this year. She did a great job! If anyone is interested, please call Mel or Opal Harms—639-3295. Come join the fun!

Monday at 6:45PM We have kept Euchre going all summer. We usually had at least four tables. We held a learning session at the beginning of summer which brought us a lot of new players. It's an easy game to learn and moves quite rapidly, if we don't get too much 'chit-chat' along with the card playing. We want everyone to have a good time! The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board and we take it down on Monday at noon! So sign up and show up at the Social Hall by 6:45PM Monday so our tables are complete. If you don't know how to play Euchre, and are interested in learning, we could have another learning session. Come join us for a lot of card playing fun! Contact Mel or Opal Harms—639-3295.

Euchre



Bingo We have had Bingo every Wednesday night all summer with the exception of July 4th. The crowds have been about twenty to twenty-five people. The pots have been smaller than during the season, but you can win more often, so it's still a lot of fun. The past few weeks, we've had more folks and we're getting into the swing of things! Beginning November 7th, we will be serving coffee and cookies between the first ten games and the last ten games. It is a nice time to socialize. Sharon Williams and a couple of ladies from Riverhaven have been serving us cookies most of the summer. We have room and cards for a lot more players, so come join us for Bingo Fun at 7:00PM Wednesdays! Thanks to Sharon and Riverhaven, we all enjoyed the goodies! Hosted by Wanda Royer & Opal Harms

EAGLE POINT BOWLING

Eagle Point Bowling is held on Thursday morning at 9:00AM at All-Star Bowling Alley, North Fort Myers. This season will be held in two sessions—first half (nine weeks) from November 8th through January 17th and the second half starts January 24th. You can bowl one or both sessions. There will be a bowling meeting on Saturday, November 3rd, after coffee hour in the lounge. We still need two regular and substitute bowlers. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Social Hall. Contact—Rhoda Reedy—575-8879 or Ann Bailis—575-1513



LADIES GOLF

Tuesday's 8AM—We play just for fun and go to breakfast! The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please call. Char Flannery—639-2842



TEXAS HOLD-EM



Our Texas Hold-em group kept going strong all summer. We had an average of seven players each week for 23 weeks. The most wins for that period were **First=Lois Bauer, Second=Tom Chicano; Third=Harvey Smith and tied for Fourth=Larry Strother and Lloyd Young**. A fun time was had by all. It is now time for the Fall tournament to begin which commenced on **October 18th** through **December 20th**. The winner will receive a tournament bracelet! So, come on up to the Social Hall every **Thursday at 6:45PM** and join in the fun. Entry fee is \$10.00 per week plus an extra dollar for the "Kitty" which is used to purchase the bracelet, new equipment, etc. Our thanks to Harvey Smith for building us a great new poker table. Come join us! **Johnny Taylor & Lois Bauer, Chairpersons**

TAKE THE HELM

Do you care what takes place in your park, what decisions are made and by whom? If you answered "yes" to all or part of this question, you should really think about offering to become a member of our Eagle Point Board of Directors. It has come to our attention that the people who are most dissatisfied with the decisions made by the board are the same people who are unwilling to step forward and make their voices heard where perhaps they could have some effect.

We vote each year to put people in places of authority and then complain because they aren't doing what we want them to do. That can all change for you by taking the opportunity to serve a term and help to make some of the decisions. So give me a call or drop a note into my mail tube to let me know that you are anxious to help keep our park the best in the state.

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Betty Jett, #91, 204-0227

Nominations Committee Chairperson

WHAT A DEAL

How would you like to have WIFI high speed internet service for only \$8.95 per month? Sounds too good to be true? It's available here in the park if we have 20% of our residents interested. You would pay that amount only during the months you are in the park. The first month would be free and there is a 30-day money back guarantee. Unlike many hi-tech services, there are no government taxes or surcharges added and no long term contracts.

We have investigated the security issues that concern all of us and some independent computer geeks not associated with this provider have assured us that there is no inherent problem. As when using any internet service, we all protect ourselves by having a good computer firewall installed and set to our individual desired level of security.

Further information is available on the Social Hall bulletin board. If you are interested, sign up at the office.

BOARD BITS

Our sewer problems continue to plague us, and our latest video camera investigations have identified some of the most serious sites. We are endeavoring to stay ahead of things and are considering all options. We'll keep you posted as we learn more.

We are trying to tidy up some loose ends as they come to our attention:

1. Our attorney is working with us to re-do the wording in our by-laws concerning inconsistencies in wording to better reflect the share holders' wishes and intentions.
2. We are looking at the possibility of bringing the Social Committee into the position it rightly deserves as a Standing Committee within the Eagle Point Homeowners, Inc. In this way it could provide year 'round activities, rather than only six months as it now stands.
3. In 1986, when Eagle Point was incorporated, a cap was set in our By-Laws to limit spending by the board to \$10,000 without a majority vote of the shareholders. We are all aware of the changed economy, inflation and the nature of preventative and normal maintenance facing the park. Therefore, twenty-two (22) years after that limit was set, the board will once again ask the shareholders to raise the reserve funds cap to \$25,000.

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Next Board of Directors Meeting is Wednesday, November 28th, at 1:30PM.

After several years as Activities Coordinators, a note of **Thanks to Arlene Ferus and Opal Harms**



FROM YOUR EDITORS

We thank the residents of **Eagle Point** who bring or send their news to us. The *Eagle Extra* was sent over the web for the first time this past summer @ www.eaglepointmhp.org According to our feed-back, it was a success!

NEXT DEADLINE—November 18th

**Don & Jo Flash- #90, 4th Street
639-0531 pgbear@sunline.net**

