



GATOR TALES

NEWS & VIEWS OF
BLUE HERON PINES GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY
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President's Message

Our annual election was held February 5th, and it looks like you're stuck with me for another year.

Relected Board members include... Returning Board members who stood for re-election included Ann Marie Kulling, Vice President, and Maureen Heger, Treasurer and Aldeo LaBrie. Ellie Welcome joins the Board again, this time as Secretary. Other members include Tom Pearson, Walter King and Bob Brown. Walt and Bob are both new faces around the table, and it's always good to have the fresh ideas and perspectives

Looking back, we saw our way through a few significant accomplishments in the past year. These include installation of security cameras in the clubhouse, and some major fire hydrant work, which were both safety and security issues for the community. We also dealt with the usual assortment of maintenance and repair issues, involving road and drain repairs, fountain repairs, removal of the littoral shelf between Wendy Way and Susquehanna, replacement of the coffee machine in the clubhouse, along with repair and leveling the pool tables. I'm very confident we have a team in place that can see us through what ever the upcoming year brings to BHP.

2019 BHP Board of Directors



L. to R. Larry Roberts, Maureen Heger, Walter King, Ann Marie Kulling, Ellie Welcome, Bob Brown, Al LaBrie, Tom Pearson, Jae Ann Carder

they will bring. Dick Aaron was re-elected to the N&M committee.

By the time you read this message, the board will have been sworn in at our meeting on February 21st, committee assignments will be divided up and the results will have been published.

Some diverse happenings are on tap for March, including the Mummer's Parade on March 1st, the next HOA meeting on the 5th, the Echo tour on the 9th, the casino trip to Immokalee on the 14th, and "Dancing on the Streets" on the 23rd. Check 'em out, sign up, show up and have a good time!

Have a great March!

Larry Roberts



DAZZLER'S LUNCHEON

**March 8th
11:30 AM**

The next Dazzler luncheon
will be held at

Perfect Caper in Punta Gorda
Please sign up by March 5th

We will meet at the restaurant at 11:30

If you need a ride call Jean at
941-676-0549 or e-mail her at
jeanmichalak8@gmail.com

*All Blue Heron Pines ladies
are welcome to join us.*

Drivers please leave me know if you have room for
someone in your car in case someone needs a ride.

DANCING IN THE STREETS

Saturday March 23, 2019 5pm

Event will be held on Wendy Way between
lots 126 to 119

Parking for golf carts between
lot 126 & 125

Music from 5:00-9:00pm

6:00pm Hotdogs & Bratwurst served with potato
salad, chips, coleslaw & cookies

Ice water will be available BYOB & chairs

Arm bands (tickets) will be sold for the meal

Tues. & Thur. thru March 19th
& at the HOA Meeting

\$10.00 per person

Info contact Janet, 260-417-6003

janetbolyard@hotmail.com



AN IRISH EVENT

March 15th 7:00 p.m.

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Sports Report

By Jan Crail

Bean Bag Baseball got off to a splendid start as many players came to participate. Much appreciation goes out to Ron and Ella Smith for all the work they put in making the equipment at their own expense. Games are played behind the clubhouse at 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Everyone gets to play. This has been a big hit !

Speaking of baseball, Major League Spring Training is upon us. There are games available through March as close as Fort Meyers with the World Champion Boston Red Sox plus the Minnesota Twins. Also in Port Charlotte for the Tampa Bay Rays. (Rays Up!) Tickets may be purchased on their web sites

The golf course has been humming with BHP and several new outside leagues. The Ladies Golf has been changed and now is played in the a.m. and p.m. on Tuesdays (See activities list.)

The Pro Shop exterior has been updated with new landscaping. The cafe menu changes daily so check your email to find out what's cooking there. Congrats to Rod Cannon who got a hole in one on #15 using a pitching wedge.

Gary Bower a Golf Teaching Professional is now hosting golf clinics on Saturday mornings from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. at \$10 cash per person range balls not included. He may be reached at 614-527-9527. Also he has a TV show called "Golf Tips".

Anyone who has information about a sport they would like included in this article may contact me at jjcrail@comcast.net or 941-575-2935. I remain your sports reporter -- the one wearing the pink cap!



BHP Quilters

By Liz Black

The Blue Heron Pines Quilters are delighted to announce that they will be presenting two patriotic quilts to members of our community at the *March HOA* meeting. We invite community members to join us in celebrating this special acknowledgment of our veterans' service to our country.

We currently have one nomination for a quilt for next year and hope to have more. Nomination forms are on the counter in the craft room.



Horse Races

The annual Horse Racing event will be held on April 16, 2019. Keep the date open for an evening of fun. Further details to follow. Joe and Judy Casimir will be chairing the event.

2019 BHP Auction

With our 13th Auction in the books, I would like to give a huge Thank You to everybody that came to our latest auction, to all those that bid and especially to those that donated all the wonderful items that made the auction possible.

Thanks to the guys that picked up all the donations, hauled them to storage, then back for the auction. Thanks as well to all those who assisted with the set up on Friday. A great job by all.

Thanks to those that took care of the advertising, those who worked the ring the day of the sale, those who handled the sign in and those who took care of the clerking, as well as those who handled the security.

Thanks also to those who handled the coffee, the lunch and also the bake sale. In addition, I appreciate the great efforts by all those who helped make the Silent Auction a huge success.

And the work wasn't finished when the Auction was over. A great job by everyone who assisted with the clean up post auction, as well as the crew that helped haul all unsold items away.

Thanks as well to All Florida Weatherproofing for donating the rolls, plus Fort Myers Pest Control & Rainbow Pressure Washing for donating the hot dogs & buns.

In summary the 2019 Auction was a great success due to the efforts of so many in our community. As a result of your efforts we are able to contribute to our HOA once again with our final tally being \$ 6434.38.

I would have liked to include names of everyone that helped make this project successful, but was afraid that I would miss someone.

Thank You

Gene Robinson -
Auctioneer

SunShine
By Cathy Richardson



Sympathy

We extend our thoughts and prayers to:

Darlene Ditmore #22 passing of her sister
and former resident Connie Haupt Rubinsak

Tracy Bracher # 7 passing of her Aunt
Connie Haupt Rubinsak

Get Well

Ada Griffith #617
Jae-Ann Carder #528
Marcy Sternisha #711
Ken Ralph #519
Colin Phelps #213
Jack Solgot #190
Arlene Cannon #137
Marie Sutherby #452
Inge German #515

If you know anyone who is ill or lost a loved one,
contact the Sunshine Lady Cathy
502-321-5229* or lcrich3@att.net



FMO District Meeting Serendipity MHP North Fort Myers

The Serendipity MHP has 338 lots, is 97% occupied and is in the SUN Communities family of manufactured homes.

Kristie Kulwicki, the featured speaker, is a member of the North Fort Myers Fire Department CERT team (Community Emergency Response Team). She reminded us all of the importance of *replacing smoke alarms every 10 years*. Most have a 10 year warranty and will become unreliable after 10 years.

When you purchase a new Smoke/Fire Alarm you need to purchase one with a *10 YEAR Battery NOT a 10 YEAR Warranty*

They are not the same. There are also Fire Alarms that can be purchased for \$7 that are not 10 year warranted but they will have a backup battery.

Kristie also spoke on the Pet Finder program that includes a sticker for your home in the event of fire. It notifies responders that there are pets in the home that will need to be found.



Kristie discussed the Medical Red Dot program for residents to use so responders can find their medical information in the event of a medical emergency. The sticker goes on your front door and a packet is attached to your refrigerator with medical information enclosed.

Also speaking were Tucker DeMuth and Bryce Mednick of Professional Insurance of Florida, an FMO Preferred Provider. They are a company that is a big supporter of the FMO.

This company covers all types of insurance needed for manufactured home residents: Homeowners Insurance, Brokerage Account Review, Medicare Supplements, CD, IRA, Annuity review, Life Insurance, Long Term Care, Cancer Insurance, Auto Insurance and Final Arrangements. They have coverage available for all types of home insurance from policies that cover everything to those that cover only fire, no hurricane or flood.

Next meeting is at Lakewood Village , 5601 Duncan Road, Punta Gorda . The meeting is at 1pm on Friday, March 8, 2019. The featured speaker will be David Berman of Professional Insurance of Florida, an FMO Preferred Provider.

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Blue Heron Pines
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March is the month of EXPECTATION
Emily Dickinson

3/1 **Mummer's Parade BHP**

3/2-3 Spring Festival Arts & Crafts Show Muscle City 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

3/3 Taste of Punta Gorda Laishley Park 11:00 am-5 pm

3/5 AARP Walk around Ollie's Pond 8:00 am-11:00 am

3/6 Punta Gorda Food Tour 11:00am-2:00 pm

3/8 Charlotte County Concert Band at Charlotte Performing Arts Center, 7:30 pm
[BHP's own John & Wendy Harvey will be performing]

3/9 -10 Sullivan Street Crafts Fair

3/10 Peace River Seafood Festival Laishley Park 10:00 am-6:00pm



3/15 **Wearin' of the Green St. Patrick Event BHP Club House 7:00 pm**
10.00

3/15-16 Premier Auto Auction
Peace River National Arts

3/17 **St. Patrick Day HAPPY ST. PATRICK DAY** – Celebrate Good Luck,
Good Times & Spring

3/23 Pedal & Play Laishley Park 7:00 am-12:30 pm



Thank You

The Auction Committee would like to extend our gratitude to Mark and Karen Belknap for the generous use of their trailer during the months of picking up, storing, and delivery of donations as well as on the day of the auction. It was much needed and appreciated.

Thank You

MARCH



2nd	9th	20th	26th
Seth Kimbrel	Keith Becker	Jean Michalak	Jim Walsh
Tom Lemke	10th	Frances Pfister	28th
Bill Sutherby	Katherine Langman	21st	Dave Bolyard
3rd	11th	Sharon Bonaguro	Judy Townley
Linda Eichstaedt	Bob Guerin	Rodney Cannon	29th
Joan Wiley	13th	Diane King	John Geraci
4th	Joyce Melanson	22nd	30th
Kathleen Jarvis	14th	Lois Niemann	Joe Casimir
5th	Steven Townley	Mike Oetting	31st
Wendy Harvey	16th	Carl Roberts	Richelle Beard
Norman Mueller	Paul Lonergan	23rd	John Lucas
6th	David Tittle	Nancy Bacon	Carole Read
Wilson Yerk	17th	24th	
7th	James Brown	Edward Leatherman	
Nancy Becker	19th	25th	
Elley Graham	Frank Noewer	Betty Hart	
Erle Younker	Barbara Rawlinitis	Karen Matzke	

MARCH



4th	18th
David & Judith Bauer	Carl & Sheree Battersby
8th	21st
Ernie & Ethel DeBellis	Ron & Joyce Sixt
11th	24th
John & Margaret Geraci	Jim & Carol Foster
13th	31st
Walter & Diane King	Joe & Jettie Minucci
14th	
Joe & Anita Mailloux	

There are some residents that do not have birthdays or wedding anniversaries listed in the *Gator Tales*. We realize that some prefer not to have those events listed, but if you have been missed and would like to submit your information, or if you want your info removed, please notify Peter McNaughton pg12572@gmail.com

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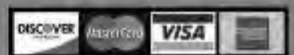


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LOST & FOUND

A pair of sunglasses left after the January Chili cook-off at the clubhouse. They are black with bling in front and a green on the inside bows.

Contact Nancy Fee at Lot 643
or phone 507.208.0146



HAIR by Ilse

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MARCH

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 3 Dominoes 6:15 pm Mixed Pool League 7 pm Mississippi Marbles 1-4	4 Men's Scramble 7am Walking Exercise DVD 8am Water Aerobics 10am Line Dancing 10 am Mah Jong 1pm Cribbage 1pm Bingo 7pm Texas Hold Em 7pm	 5 Ladies 9 Hole Golf 7AM Ladies 18-Hole Golf 8am Revenge 12:45 BHP Quilters 1pm to 3pm Texas Hold Em 7pm	6 Mens Golf 7:15 am Walking Exercise DVD 8am Chair Yoga 9am Gentle Floor Yoga 10:30 am Water Aerobics 10 am Ceramics 11 am Revenge 5:45pm Mens Pool League 7pm	 7 Couples Golf 8am Zumba 3:30 Nickel/Nickel 6pm Euchre 6:30p Mens Pool League 7pm	8 Mens Golf 7 am Walking Exercise DVD 8am Boogie ball 9:30am Water Aerobics 10am Dealer's Choice Poker 7pm Mommies Parade 9pm	9 Coffee & Donuts 9am Horseshoes 9:30 am Shuffleboard 10 am Pinochle 6:30 pm Couples Revenge 6:30 pm BHP OPEN HOUSE 10AM-2PM ECHO TOW
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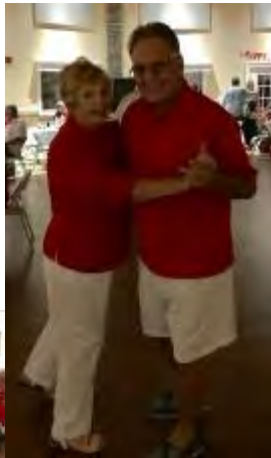


Bean Bag Baseball



Valentine's Dance

Great decorations, good music, good friends.



**NEXT HOA MEETING
March 5, 2019**