



"THROUGH THE EYE OF THE EAGLE"

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Who's New In The Neighborhood?

By Arlene Cabai Schuetz

Stephanie Cali and Bruce Barbon were married last June and just recently moved into their beautiful home on Bald Eagle Drive. Although they were considering other homes in the area, and one in particular, when they looked at the home on Bald Eagle, Bruce said they both knew "this was it." The trees, the lush landscaping, the spacing between the homes were



more than enough Bruce and Stephanie

to sell them on our beautiful community.

Stephanie was born on Long Island, N.Y. Subsequently her parents moved to Fort Myers where she graduated from Fort Myers High School and then from the University of Florida. Her parents continue to live in Cross Creek. Bruce, a native Floridian, was born and raised in Pensacola, Fla., where his parents still live; he graduated from Tulane University.

Stephanie says she always wanted to enter the medical profession. After exploring the many options available, she researched optometry and found her niche; and, so, apparently, did Bruce. Both met while attending Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale. Stephanie has practiced optometry for about four years now, while Bruce, has been in the field for five years. They are both optometrists at the Veterans Administration Clinic in Cape Coral.

When they're not working in their profession, or working on remodeling and furnishing their new home, Bruce enjoys a game of golf. Stephanie is an avid reader and finds herself gravitating toward books on the best-seller list. Interestingly, Bruce says that, more often than not, she has a knack for reading the books that are later made into motion pictures! Children and pets? None yet, but both will definitely have a place in their household!

Please join us in welcoming Stephanie and Bruce to Eagle Ridge!

In Alemoriam

Bob Anderson died on April 1, 2017. He and wife Mary Lou moved to Eagle Ridge in 1986. They quickly became a driving force in this community for all things social. They were instrumental in organizing a golfing



group called The Hackers, who played at Eagle Ridge once a month and then met in each other's homes for dinner and drinks. They also organized many wonderful golf outings at other fine golf courses around the state.

Bob sold Real Estate in this area for many years and many of our residents are grateful to him for introducing them to our beautiful community. Bob was a good, kind and thoughtful person who was loved by all. His many friends will miss him.

Caught On Camera

Do you have any pictures you would like to share? Post them in the Caught on Camera spot Submit your photos, with a brief description, to rontlougan@gmail.com.

"This Snowy Egret was caught on my iPhone camera taking a break hunting for minnows along the water's edge at the beach recently. He seemed to like his picture being taken when told he would be featured in "Caught on Camera." At the website, www.allaboutbirds.org, it stated, "Breeding Snowy Egrets grow filmy, curving plumes, that once fetched astronomical prices in fashion industry, endangering the species. Early conservationists rallied to protect Egrets by the early 20th century." For more information on these and other birds, this website is an awesome resource.





Photos by Doug Albers

Annual Letter Carrier Food Drive Set For May 13 Food And Volunteers Are Needed To Make The Day Successful

Summer is coming, school will be out, and the need for food assistance will be greater than ever. Letter carriers in Lee County are gearing up for the 25th annual national letter carrier food drive. Most food collected in Lee County will be distributed by the Harry Chapin Food Bank through their participating agencies in the county. All food collected in food drives is distributed to participating agencies at no cost.

The nation's largest single-day food drive, "Stamp Out Hunger," will be held on Saturday, May 13. This is the one day when letter carriers collect nonperishable food that has been left by mailboxes. The United Way is a partner agency with the letter carriers and the food drive.

Northerners and seasonal residents who are returning home prior to May 13 are encouraged to check their pantries for unopened food items; they may drop off their contributions at any post office.

Volunteers are needed to both help letter carriers collect the food and to help sort the food once it has been collected. Volunteers wishing to assist letter carriers with their pickups and with preliminary food sorting should contact Tanya Phillips at Harry Chapin Food Bank, (239) 334-7007, or Kim Berghs at the United Way, (239) 433-2000, Ext. 260.

Businesses can set up collection boxes for employees and customers who may not be able to leave food by their mailboxes on May 13. Virtually any kind of food may be donated in unopened, nonbreakable containers. Items especially in need are peanut butter, tuna, rice, beans, and canned meats, fruits, vegetables, and soups.

Additional information about the letter carrier food drive and early food drop-off may be obtained by contacting George Sciascia, Letter Carriers' Food Drive coordinator, at gsciascia@comcast.net, phone (239) 218-1147.

Spring Fling Festival 2017

A Family Day Of Fun And Learning About Our Southwest Florida Environment

Saturday, May 13

Bring your family to celebrate our Annual Butterfly Release at the Holton Eco-Preserve off Daniels Parkway. Come and share in learning about all plants bright and beautiful in our Southwest Florida environment. Good fun. Good food. Good exhibitors. Good day with the family. Good day for the environment.



Our Annual Spring Fling Festival will be on Saturday, May 13 this year from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The festival includes guest speakers, children's activities, exciting vendors, delicious food with demonstrations, and our second Annual Butterfly Release!

The Holton Eco-Preserve is the proud sponsor of this gala family event. The Eco-Preserve is a South Fort Myers nonprofit organization dedicated to helping neighbors be good environmental stewards.

Join the fun and games, meet some neighbors, and learn how to be better stewards of our environment! See you there. Contact: Bill Petrarca, (239) 561-2700, 13411 Shire Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33912.

Adoptable Cats And Kittens

Carrie

Hi, my name is Carrie. I'm just the cutest little kitten ever! I'm only 2 months old and just now ready for adoption. My foster mom has been giving me lots of love and now I'm ready to find my forever home. My adoption fee is \$125, which includes spaying and all vaccinations.



Please call Diane at (860) 833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com to make an appointment to meet me.

Betty Boo

Hi there! I'm Betty Boo. I'm a spayed female, about 2 years old. I am up to date on all shots. I am very sweet and have beautiful green eyes! I even have a white spot on my chest that makes me different from other black kitties. I am currently at the PetSmart at Colonial Boulevard and Six



Mile Cypress. Please come see me and take me home! My adoption fee is \$75. Contact Diane at (860) 833-4472 or havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com for more information.

Amber

Hi, my name is Amber. I am a really sweet girl, about 5 years old. I am extremely lovable with dogs, other cats and all people! I am a beautiful black, longhaired kitty with front declawed. I'm up to date on all vaccinations and spayed. My adoption fee is \$75. I am currently residing



with a foster mom. To make an appointment to see me, call Diane at (860) 833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com.

Haven on Earth Animal League Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit animal rescue organization in Fort Myers, Fla. operated completely by volunteers. Our mission is to rescue, house, rehabilitate and re-home abused, unwanted, neglected and homeless animals into forever, loving homes.



Fraud Alert

Businesses Beware Of Bad Buyers

The Lee County Sheriff's Office fraud line has seen an increase in calls from local businesses reporting scammers posing as buyers of goods and services in an attempt to have them process stolen or fraudulent credit cards. This scheme is often called the "overpayment scam" because it involves a large initial payment to the business that is generally much more than is owed for the transaction, followed by a request from the con artist for a cash refund.

Recently, one local business owner received a text message from someone claiming to need an estimate on a residential window installation. After going to the location provided by the scammer, the victim became suspicious about the legitimacy of the request when he discovered the name of the person who requested his services was different from the homeowner of the vacant property.

He became even more apprehensive about the transaction when the scammer requested to pay via credit card for services not yet rendered, and for more than what was owed. Fortunately, the business owner followed his instincts and did not become a victim of a very crafty trick.

How Does The "Overpayment Scam" Work?

- The scammer usually inquires about placing a large order for merchandise or for services.
 - The scammer insists on paying by credit card.
- The scammer insists on placing additional charges to the card to cover costs for a courier/shipper or a third party who

also needs payment but doesn't take credit cards.

- The scammer requests a refund or payment to a third party via Western Union, Money Gram or prepaid cards.
- The scammer provides multiple card numbers with instructions to charge part of the total to each card.
- The credit cards are denied and the scammer provides you with additional card numbers.
 - The scammer only communicates via text or email.

To avoid becoming a victim of this scam it is best to never accept payment for more than your selling or service price, never wire transfer money to someone you don't know, do not send items to the supposed buyer before knowing all credit cards are genuine and look for the red flags above.

If you are a victim of this scam you should stop all contact with the scammer, report the cards to the issuer and contact the Sheriff's Office fraud line at 258-3292.

Join Us For A Bike Ride

SWFL Critical Mass is a group of local bike riders who enjoy biking around Lee County.

Come be a part of our "Mass." For more information visit us at www.swflcriticalmass.com or on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/SWFLcriticalmass.

Fort Myers First Friday

7:30 p.m. meetup – 8 p.m. Roll out 2160 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers

NE Lee Second Friday

7:30 p.m. meetup – 8 p.m. Roll out Winn Dixie – 14600 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers

Second Saturday On Sanibel

7:30 p.m. meetup – 8 p.m. Roll out Jerry's Plaza – 1700 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel

Estero Third Friday

7:30 p.m. meetup – 8 p.m. Roll out 19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers

LaBelle Slow Roll* - Third Saturday

9 a.m. meetup – 9:15 a.m. Roll out 71 S. Lee St., LaBelle

Cape Coral Last Friday

7:30 p.m. meetup – 8 p.m. Roll out 4700 SE 11th Place, Cape Coral

Saturday Slow Roll* – Last Saturday

9 a.m. meetup – 9:15 a.m. Roll out

2160 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers

**Slow Roll rides are recommended for adults new

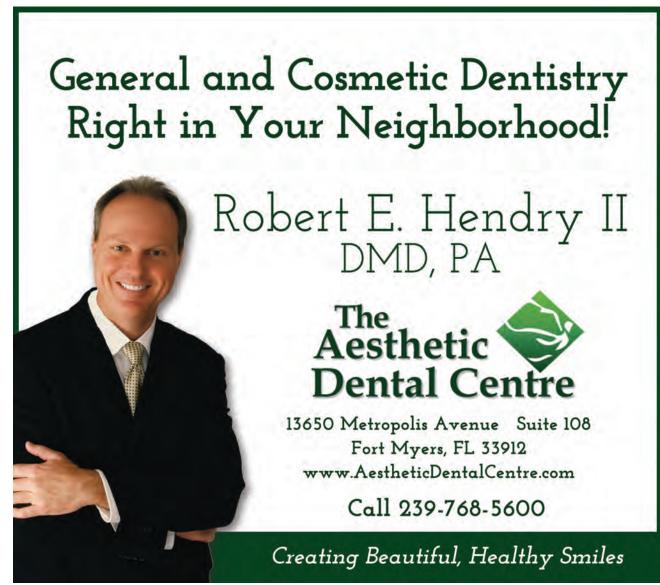
to cycling or younger inexperienced riders.

By Florida Law: Front and rear lights **required** for all riders. Helmets are **strongly** encouraged for all riders

and **required** for all riders ages 16 and under.







Tips From South Trail Fire And Rescue

By Christie Knudsen, Public Education Specialist

Pool Safety. When I asked the firefighters if they had any special concerns that they wanted me to address, they quickly responded, "pool safety." Emergency calls involving a child drowning are particularly difficult

calls for firefighters. According to the Florida Department of Health, the unintentional drowning rate for 1- to 4-year-olds in Florida is the highest in the nation. "Annually in Florida, enough children to fill three to four preschool classrooms drown and do not live to see their fifth birthday." This is a sobering statistic; however, child drowning is a preventable injury. If you have a swimming pool in your home, water safety experts recommend that you implement the following layers of protection to prevent a drowning tragedy: Layer 1) Supervision; Layer 2) Barriers; and Layer 3) Emergency Preparedness.

Layer 1: Supervision. It is a dangerous myth to believe that a drowning child will splash and scream. The truth is that a child can slip quickly and quietly under water. The firefighters advise if you have a pool and cannot locate your child, that you first and immediately check and recheck your pool.

When children are in or around water, designate a responsible adult as the Water Watcher to supervise the children. The Water Watcher should not participate in any distracting activity such as talking or reading. Use a Water Watcher card to designate the watcher and periodically pass the card and designation to another responsible adult. When watching a preschool child, stay close enough to touch the child at all times.

Laver 2: Barriers. To prevent children from accessing the pool area unsupervised, install a combination of barriers between the child and the pool. The Florida Residential Swimming Pool Safety Act requires that pools built after October 1, 2000 are protected by one of the following barriers:

- a pool fence enclosing the pool with a self-closing, selflatching gate;
 - an approved pool cover (fitted to the pool);
 - alarms on all doors and windows leading to the pool;

• all direct access doors from the house to the pool are

self-closing, self-latching with latches at least 54 inches above

Although the law requires only one of the above barriers, a combination of barriers provides the best protection. After swimming, clear the pool and pool area of floats and toys to reduce the temptation for children to access the pool.

Layer 3: Emergency Preparedness. Immediate CPR by a bystander can save a life and improve the long-term outcomes of a near-drowning victim. Waiting for the medics to arrive to begin CPR may be too late. If you have a pool, learn CPR.

Keeping children safe in and around water is an important responsibility for all of us in Florida. Teach your children and grandchildren to swim, whether or not you have a pool. Links to a swimming lesson resource list for Lee County and to a printable Water Watcher card are available at southtrailfire. org. To find a CPR class call 936-5281.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the South Trail Fire & Rescue District will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 15 at Station 63, 5531 Halifax Avenue. The public is invited.

Save The Date: Dress For Success Southwest Florida Presents 'A Fashion Night In Black And White'

Presented by Founding Sponsor White House Black Market, Dress for Success Southwest Florida rolls out the red carpet for its annual signature event.

Dress for Success Southwest Florida is excited to once again roll out the red carpet for its annual signature event: A Fashion Night in Black and White. Barbara Dell The event will be held on



Friday, May 12, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa in Bonita Springs. Guests are invited to wear their finest black and white cocktail attire for an evening of fun and fashion to support Dress for Success Southwest Florida. The evening will include hors d'oeuvres, champagne, dinner, live and silent auctions and a fashion show with a preview of the White House Black Market (WHBM) summer collection. Tickets are \$125 each and \$1,200 for a table.

Barbara Dell, CEO of Dress for Success Southwest Florida, is thrilled for this year's theme "Never Give Up," a key phrase used to encourage and empower clients. Money raised from this annual event will benefit the new Women Empowered Through Employment Series (W.E.T.E.S.) for DRESS FOR SUCCESS® SW FLORIDA

unemployed and underemployed women in the community. W.E.T.E.S. is a new employer-driven program designed by Dress for Success Southwest Florida to empower women through sessions including "How to Dress for Success," resume preparation, consultations and mock interviews. Karen Anderson, president of the Board of Directors for Dress for Success of Southwest Florida, is the chairman for this exciting program that will begin in June.

The fashion models for the evening will be Dress for Success Southwest Florida clients who will be styled at a local White House Black Market boutique. Following the fashion presentation, WHBM will donate the outfits to the women for their personal and professional needs.

The Founding Sponsor is White House Black Market. Elizabeth K. Galeana Charitable Foundation Inc. is the career center champion. Other sponsors to date are: 227 Partners, Arthrex, Card Systems, Conric PR and Marketing, Edison National Bank, èBella Magazine, Entech, First Florida Integrity Bank, Hodges University, Hyatt Regency Coconut Point and Spa, Jaguar of Fort Myers, Markham Norton Mosteller Wright & Company, P.A., MidWestOne Bank, Stevens Construction, and Windfall. Sponsorships are still available.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact

Nickole Hendra at (239) 689-4992 or visit www. dfsswflorida.org.

About Dress For Success Southwest Florida

Founded by Barbara Dell in 2010, Dress for Success Southwest Florida is headquartered in Fort Myers and has a boutique in Collier County at Hodges University. The mission of Dress for Success Southwest Florida is to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support, and career development tools to help them thrive in work and in life. The nonprofit helps disadvantaged women find and maintain employment and helps them achieve health and wellness as well as self-defined financial and professional success. In addition to professional clothing, Dress for Success Southwest Florida offers women a number of programs to help them find and retain employment. Dress for Success Southwest Florida serves job-ready women by referral only.

For more information, visit www.dfsswflorida.org or call (239) 689-4992. Dress for Success Southwest Florida is located at 12995 S. Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers, FL









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Ladies On The Links

By Fran Danek

The Wednesday Morning Ladies' Golf League put the wraps on another successful season with competition and a luncheon on March 29.

The event of the day was a "Team Shamble" competition which produced a flurry of birdies and chip-ins leading to a competitive finish. The winning team of Tee Pazitney, Betty Boxma, Nancy Weber and Kathy Furlong posted a score of 248 followed closely by Dawn Kinghorn, Joan McDermitt, Betty Mayo and Barb Baker with 251.

The winners of the annual Best Two Rounds Of Three Tournament are also pictured. Inge Longpre was the First Flight winner with a 138 net total for the two rounds. Barb Baker posted a net score of 132 to capture the Second Flight championship and Bonnie Soltesz was the Third Flight winner with 139. March weekly game winners were also honored at the luncheon. It was a fun and exciting way to finish the season followed by a delicious lunch provided by the capable Eagle Ridge staff...thanks Nick and Jean! Rich and the turf management team honored us by placing flowers at each tee box and offering them to us as a parting gift. Thanks to the entire Eagle Ridge staff for their cooperation throughout the season.

It is again that time of year that many of our golfers will be heading to places north to resume their games in Michigan or New York or Illinois or other points north, maybe even North Fort Myers! We are looking forward to resuming our league play at Eagle Ridge next season and reestablishing the bonds of friendship that our Wednesday morning group provided. Safe travels to all and Phyllis and Fran will again be ready and willing to lead you into the next season in November!

Winners For March 8 Include:

"Low Field Score"

First Place: Pat Koniecki 41 Second Place: 43 Bonnie Soltesz Third Place: 45 Renie Green Fourth Place: 47 Fran Danek

Fifth Place: Nancy Weber, Kathy McMachen



Bonnie Soltesz



Ladies' League Champs: Ladies'Shamble Winners: Tee Inge Longpre, Barb Baker, Pazitney, Betty Boxma, Nancy Weber





Low Putts:

Barb Baker, Inge Longpre First Place: 28 Second Place: 29 Kathy Gentry

Birdies:

No. 17 Fran Danek No. 8 Renie Green No. 6 Pat Koniecki No. 16 Bonnie Soltesz No. 11 and 16 Inge Longpre

Chip-ins:

Pat Koniecki, Angie Corsale

Winners For March 15 Include:

"Alternate Score"

First Place: Carol Sarocka 36 Second Place: 37 Karen Kudrle, Inge Longpre Third Place: Joan McDermitt, Pat Adcock, Peg Lear,

Marla Cunningham, Kathy Gentry

Low Putts:

First Place: 31 Betty Boxma

Second Place: 32 Kitty Dietrich, Fran Danek Ladies' Shamble Runners up: Ladies' Shamble Third Betty Mayo, Joan McDermitt, Place: Pat Adcock, Louise Barb Baker, Dawn Kinghorn Frehill, Carol Sarocka **Birdies:**

No. 16 Kathy Gentry No. 18 Fran Danek

Chip-ins: No. 5 and 16

No. 18 Fran Danek Winners For March 22 Include: "Low Net"

Kathy Gentry

First Place: 65 Shirley Schweers Second Place: 67 Barb Baker Amy Shea Third Place: 71

Kito Miller, Carol Sarocka, Dawn Fourth Place: 72

Kinghorn

Low Putts:

Chip-ins:

Dorothy Carlson First Place: 28

Patsy Hildebrand, Bonnie Soltesz Second place: 31

Birdies: No. 15 Dawn Kinghorn

Dorothy Carlson, Betty Boxma

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ERPOA Web Maintenance

Contact Ed Schuler, (267) 513-0800.

Eagle Ridge Residents

Jogging, bicycling, walking and other nongolfing activities or unregistered golf play are not permitted on the golf course.

Eagle Ridge Bulletin Board

If you have an announcement, we will include it in this column. Email rontlougan@gmail.com with your request.

Fort Myers Republican Women's Club Legislative Wrap-Up Is Program For Monthly Republican Women's Luncheon

The Fort Myers Republican Women's Club will have a legislative wrap-up as their program for their monthly luncheon meeting on Tuesday, May 16, at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. Legislators from Southwest Florida have been invited to share their comments about this year's legislative session and bills that were passed. The public is invited to attend

A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m., with the luncheon and program following at 12 p.m. The cost of the luncheon is \$20. Reservations are required by Thursday, May 11, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701

Additional information about the club may be obtained by contacting the president, Carole Green, (850) 590-2206.

The Greeters Club May 18 Luncheon

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers has grown to over 100 members and it has taken a lot of organization, talent and dedication to sustain our organization since its beginning in 1969. At our luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 18 we will install a new generation of leaders for our club and are looking forward to the energy and diversity they will bring to our monthly luncheon programs and events. It will also be an opportunity for everyone to wear and show off their creative interpretation of a Kentucky Derby hat (with prizes for a few of the standouts).

Make your luncheon reservation (cost: \$20) today and find out more about joining this dynamic group of Lee County women. Email: greetersclub@gmail.com. Provide your contact information (your name, email address and phone number). You will receive a return email confirming your reservation. Our luncheons are held on the third Thursday of the month, registration is from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. at the Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way, Fort Myers.

Continental Women's Club Of Fort Myers

The Continental Women's Club meeting on Thursday, May 4 will honor our past presidents and install the new officers for 2017/2018. Join us in paying tribute to our current and past leadership. The club's monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. at Colonial Country Club, located at 9181 Independence Way in Fort Myers. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$19. Please call (239) 672-8683 before 8 p.m., Sunday, April 30 to make a reservation for May's luncheon.

The annual scholarship fundraiser held on March 20 was a huge success. Thanks to our members, and many guests

who attended, we will be able to award scholarships to very deserving high school seniors to help in their further education endeavors.

Dining In Club

If you live in Eagle Ridge, maybe you have heard of the Dining In Club where people in our community get together to meet, talk and have fun. Everyone who attends these parties really loves them.

We meet monthly from November to April. If you would like more information about Dining In, please call Connie Hope at (239) 225-6609.

Eagle Ridge #Winelovers

#Winelovers gravitate to Eagle Ridge eight to nine months of the year for #Winelover Hangouts on Eagles Lookout Court. Hosted by Ellen and Tom Giffen, these events are set up to explore the world of wine, experience the tapas goodness of our kitchens and to collect food donations for the Harry Chapin Food Bank and other charitable organizations that draw from the food bank.

If you are interested in participating, please email the Giffens at giff48@centurylink.net for more information, and you will be put on the monthly email list. Cheers.

The Florida Yards & Neighborhood (FYN)

Join us at a Florida Yards & Neighborhoods class and learn the nine principles that guide Florida-friendly landscaping in Lee County. The class is given under the auspices of University of Florida IFAS Extension Lee

Each principle is explored in class so you can apply what you learn to your own yard. Plant selection and placement, efficient irrigation, proper mulching, and techniques to obtain a beautiful and healthy yard will be discussed. To learn more, visit http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/.

Volunteer In Your Eagle Ridge Community

If you are interested in serving on the Eagle Ridge Board of Directors, or would like to serve on one of the committees, please contact one of the following: Hewitt B. McCloskey Jr., John Spiegel, Peter Van Leeuwen, Ed Schuler or Rick Herman through the Eagle Ridge website: www.eagleridge33912.com.

Your Eye of the Eagle

If you are not receiving your Eye of the Eagle newspaper, please contact Peggy Watts, (239) 910-1039 or Connie Hope, (239) 225-6609

Extra copies of Eye of the Eagle newsletters are usually available at the Golf Course Clubhouse. They also may be downloaded from the Resources tab on the Eagle Ridge website: www.EagleRidge33912.com.

Cooking By Connie

By Connie Hope

Welcome to summer. Oh, it is only spring. It's May and it feels like July. Hot! Hot! Hot!

What is the month of May known for? Well, it is the month of Mother's Day. It is Clean Air Month and National Sweet Vidalia Onion Month. Also, Carrot and Cauliflower Month.

It is also National Salsa Month. I decided to give you a recipe for a great Black Bean Salsa that can go with any dinner. Give this one a try. It is in my first cookbook, In Addition...to the Entrée.

Black Bean Salsa

- 1 15-ounce can black beans, drained
- 1 15-ounce can corn, drained
- 1 medium purple onion, chopped and diced (about 1 cup)
- 1 medium red bell pepper, chopped and diced (about 1 cup) 1 small can chick peas, drained (optional)
- 1 15-ounce can dark kidney beans, drained and rinsed (optional)

½ cup packed cilantro, chopped (about one bunch)

Juice of two fresh limes

Salt and pepper to taste

Mix together all ingredients. Refrigerate. Flavor will enhance overnight. Serve next to your main dish. Serves 6

I love the taste of the cilantro in this salsa, so I sometimes add more.

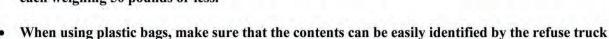


Lee County Yard Waste Regulations

Do not place out for pickup more than 24 hours early

driver (leave a twig or small branch sticking out).

- Yard waste must be containerized (50 pounds or less), or securely tied into bundles not heavier than 50 pounds and no longer than 6 feet in length.
- Up to 50 pounds of unbundled palm fronds may be placed at the curb. Any excess palm fronds must be tied into bundles, each weighing 50 pounds or less.



Call 239-337-0800 for a cost estimate for large-scale yard waste disposal projects when containerizing or bundling is difficult.





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14471 Bald Eagle - Updated Beauty

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14580 Bald Eagle - Amazing Sunset Views

Absolutely Gorgeous, updated Eagle Ridge 3BR/2.5BA estate pool home w/ beautiful golf, lake & sunset views! Recently updated w/ New Roof & New AC, all top of the line upgrades.

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- Successful brokers in this area for over 18 years
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Security Central

By Connie Hope

There was a stop sign/street sign knocked down at the corner of Eagle Ridge Drive and Eagles Lakes Estates. There was no report with the sheriff's office so I couldn't obtain additional information. I have seen the sheriff's cars driving around the community and there was a sheriff's car parked on Eagle Ridge Drive across from American Colony at the beginning of the month. Let's hope that we have another quiet month.

Extra Copies Of Eye Of The Eagle Newsletters Are Usually Available At The Golf Course Clubhouse



Please do not leave trash containers, ladders, etc., where they are visible from the street.

Also do not place containers or yard waste out to the curb more than 24 hours before the scheduled weekly pickups.

- The Board of Directors

NOTICE



Please clean up after your dog

Deed of Restrictions Section A-15: Pets must be on a leash at all times when being walked outside of the owner's property boundaries. The pet owner is responsible for picking up all animal waste from their pet at all times. This includes the common areas! Violators are subject to fining.

- The Board of Directors

Mailbox Maintenance And Repair

Mailbox doors have a closure spring that eventually breaks after thousands of openings. It is important to replace them as soon as they are discovered as they usually result in a broken door, which



is a much more expensive repair. Call Dennis Shelley, (239) 887-1042. The cost of installing a new spring is \$34. If the door casting breaks, it costs an additional \$112 to repair the door. Dennis also has specially manufactured flagpole holders to match the lampposts. They are available for \$89 installed. Your mailbox and lamppost can also be repainted for \$49, which will bring them back to their "like-new" appearance. Dennis also offers handyman services.

Are You Receiving E-mail From Eagle Ridge?



Each month the Eagle Ridge Property Owners Association sends out an email with reminders of activities at the Ridge. If this image looks unfamiliar to you, you are not on our email list.

To correct this, send an email to info@EagleRidge33912. com along with your name and street address.

We will add your name to

the list, which you may opt out of at any time. We are stressing the use of email as it is faster, easier and cheaper than USPS. You may send email addresses for all members of your household.

The Board of Directors

Things To Do

Lee County Library

Fort Myers Regional Library 2450 First St., Fort Myers, FL 33901

Essential Oils 101

(239) 533-4600

Tuesday, May 2 - 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Learn about essential oils, how they have been used throughout history, and some of the ways they can be used today. Location: Meeting room A.

Knitting Nook

Thursday, May 4-1 to 3 p.m.

Thursday, May 18 - 1 to 3 p.m.

Thursday, June 1-1 to 3 p.m.

A casual self-guided group of knitters and crocheters share ideas, techniques, and patterns. Attendees should bring their own projects. Basic supplies available for newcomers. Location: Conference room C.

Grown-Up Gaming

Monday, May 8 – 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Board games are not just for kids anymore! Have fun with other adults while playing a variety of games. Share a favorite game from home or try one of ours. Location: Meeting rooms A and B.

Book Discussion - Flight Of Dreams: A Novel By Ariel Lawhon

Wednesday, May 17 - 12 to 1 p.m.

Historical fiction and narrative nonfiction: Sometimes fiction seems real and nonfiction reads like a novel...this year both will be discussed. Space is limited so registration is required. Location: Conference Room C.

International Film Series – Submarino Wednesday, May 17 - 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Monday, May 22 – 1 to 3 p.m.

Join us for the next installment in our film series. This month we visit Denmark in Submarino. Sponsored by the Friends of

the Fort Myers Library. Location: Meeting room A. Small Business Series: The How And Why You Should Do **Business With The Federal Government**

Expand your knowledge about doing business with local, state, and federal government agencies. Find out how to get started in government contracting today. Presented in collaboration with FGCU Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Location: Meeting rooms A and B.

Appy Hour: E-books, Magazines, Music And More Tuesday, May 23 - 2 to 3 p.m.

Did you know you can download books, magazines, music, and other library content from our online library? Bring your app-enabled e-reader or tablet, and we will show you how to use OverDrive, Hoopla, and other library apps. Don't forget your library card! Location: Meeting room A.

When bad things happen to good people

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Gregory Messore, Esq.

Criminal Defense Attorney

25 Year Forest Resident

(904) 962-7356

Email: GregoryMessore@gmail.com

Lakes Regional Library

15290 Bass Road, Fort Myers, FL 33919 (239) 533-4000

Craft Corner: Knitting, Crochet, And Embroidery

Wednesday, May 10 - 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 24 - 2 to 3 p.m.

A casual self-guided group of knitters, crocheters, and embroiderers share ideas, techniques and patterns. Attendees should bring their own projects. Location: Meeting room B.

Library Apps 101

Wednesday, May 3-2 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17 – 2 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, June 7 - 2 to 3 p.m.

Learn about some of the free apps you can use to take library content on the go. Class participants should bring their appenabled mobile device and know their library card information and all of their logins and passwords to get the most out of this class. Class size is limited; registration is required. Location: Meeting room B.

Coloring For Adults

Tuesday, May 9 - 2 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, May 23 - 2 to 3 p.m.

Come and experience the latest trend in relaxation, adult coloring books! Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and helps promote overall wellness. Coloring pages designed especially for adults as well as colored pencils will be provided. Location: Meeting room B.

Hurricane Preparedness Seminar

Thursday, May 11 - 2 to 3 p.m.

Lee County Emergency Management offers hurricane preparation plans including family emergency plans, evacuation zones and routes, public shelters, emergency supply kits, disaster resources, shelter information for those with special needs, and more. All Hazards Guide and hurricane preparedness from Lee County Emergency Management. Location: Meeting room A.

River District – Downtown Fort Myers

Art Walk

First Friday every month

A must-do in the River District social scene is the monthly Art Walk. Always on the first Friday, visit the many exciting galleries, exhibitions, and performances. Free to the public with many venues featuring additional attractions and specials. 6 to 10 p.m.

Music Walk

Third Friday every month

The River District comes alive on the third Friday of the month as local and regional musicians line the streets. From jazz and blues to rock & roll, many genres can be heard and vary each month. Free to the public with many venues featuring additional attractions and specials. 6 to 10 p.m.

Pet Walk

Fourth Friday every month

Join the newest downtown event with Pet Walk! The petfriendly gathering will occur every fourth Friday of the month beginning at 6 p.m. at the Hendry Street median.

Pet owners are expected to have pets leashed and pick up any pet souvenirs. The event is free to attend and no registration is required.

Car Cruise-In

Fourth Saturday every month

From classic to cool, downtown streets are lined with the sight of these show cars on the fourth Saturday of the month from 4 to 8 p.m. Music, food, drinks, and more! Free to the public with many venues featuring additional specials.

Learn To Butterfly Garden

Fourth Saturday every month at 11 a.m.

Enjoy complimentary lessons on butterfly gardening every fourth Saturday of the month at the Butterfly Estates in the River District beginning at 11 a.m. Seating is limited, please call to register: (239) 690-2359.



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Eagle Ridge Job Spot

Nonbusinesses please! All business owners should contact Seabreeze Communications to place an ad.

Are you looking for an odd job? Want to be included in the Eagle Ridge Job Spot? Email your information to rontlougan@gmail.com. Baby-sitters, pet sitters, yard work and more.

J.J. Claypool, (239) 810-4724. Dependable, trustworthy, hard worker. I can do yard work, pressure washing: lanais, driveways, windows, outdoor furniture, etc. You will be pleased with my work ethic. I am headed off to college soon and would love the opportunity to work for money.

Connie Hope, (239) 225-6609. Absentee Homeowner Services: "While you're away" I can check your home or condo. (Weekly/biweekly/monthly). I can validate yard maintenance and irrigation, pick up parcels and mail, check water, check appliances, arrange for repairs and services and much more. I am in the community. Call or email conniehope@comcast.net.

Connie Hope, (239) 225-6609. Secretarial work, outreach office work, write your letters, answer your email, also light accounting, prepare things for taxes. I have been a Florida notary for the last 10 years

Crystal Jozsa, (419) 460-3866. Photography. I am a professional photographer who specializes in family, children, weddings and high school senior portraiture. I can come to your home or go on location. My work can be seen at www.crystaljozsaphotography.com.

Patty Fajardo, (239) 208-9956. Are you looking for some help? I am a permanent resident at Eagle Ridge and am available for a variety of jobs – house cleaning, running errands, yard work, planting, pulling weeds, grocery shopping, etc. Please call – home (239) 208-9956 or cell

Andrew Kirksey, (239) 768-0335. Pressure washing: roofs, driveways, rain gutter cleaning, lanais and cages. No job too small.

Kathie McDonough, (239) 478-0060. A resident on Triple Eagle Court, Kathie does pet sitting and home watch. Diane Nichols, (239) 825-5861. Notary Public state of Florida since 1986. I will pet sit, house sit, and baby sit.

Marlin D. Rott, (239) 986-1589. Computer Training Retired career computer professional can help you learn computer technology and software programs like Excel, Word, or other programs of your choice. If your interest is in how to subscribe, learn and manipulate social networks like Facebook, call now. Improve your understanding about computer literacy. One-hour lessons are available at reasonable rates. Marlin is a resident of the Eagle Ridge

Ginny Schuler, (215) 542-9474. College Applications. provide assistance in all aspects of the process. I have 30plus years' experience in helping students gain entrance into the most competitive colleges and universities in the nation. By the time your child completes his or her sophomore year, the process of college selection should be underway. This requires timely scheduling of PSAT, SAT and ACT tests, organizing activity sheets and selecting reasonable college choices (reach, average and safety). My additional specialty is assisting students in writing excellent personal essays and short supplements.

Dennis Shelley, (239) 887-1042. Handyman and home services. Lanai screens, painting, junk hauling, home watch, lighting, garage cleanups, local moves, and he is a specialist in home security consultations and upgrades, offers free home security evaluations and tips.

Deanne Zarriello, $(\hat{239})$ 867-6657. Jane of all trades will do home watch, house cleaning, maintain yard work, licensed notary, occasional babysitting, errands, prescription pickup and grocery shopping. Will also do short-term pet sitting. Pre-arranged appointment transportation upon request. Licensed to perform marriage ceremonies and will assist with nuptials. Reasonably priced, bonded and insured. I live within the Eagle Ridge community and have an established gated community base and references. I am very dependable, honest and reliable and have extensive state and federal licenses. I am great with children and animals. Feel free to reach out with any questions or set up a time to talk or meet.

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The "Ridge" Rack

Notice: Advertisements for the newsletter must be placed through Seabreeze Communications. Call (239) 278-4222 for information. I have no role or pricing information on the placement of ads and/or inserts.

Deadline: Submission of articles for the Eye of the Eagle must be received no later than the 6th of each month. Email articles, pictures or information for the Bulletin Board, to rontlougan@gmail.com.

Articles can be submitted attached to or contained in an email. Photos should also be emailed as attachments. If you

have any questions, please call Ron Tlougan at (651) 764-4438.

Eye of the Eagle: If for any reason you do not receive your Eye of the Eagle or if you need extra copies, the paper is also available at the golf clubhouse.

Flagpole Holders and Damaged Mailbox Repairs and Painting: For mailbox repairs, including doors, springs or broken parts and painting, call Dennis Shelley, (239) 887-1042.

Replacement of lamppost bulbs and light sensors: Please call Joe Foster at (239) 218-7714 and leave your name, address,

Safety And Security Tip

Strangers And The Dangers They Pose

From The Office Of Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott

With spring break, long days and warm weather quickly approaching, kids will be spending more time playing outdoors during their downtime away from school. Parents and teachers should use this time to remind children that dangerous strangers and child predators are in parks, stores, libraries and neighborhoods looking to trick them into a potentially perilous situation.

The sheriff's office recommends talking about the following safety tips with your children to help them become more aware of their surroundings and personal safety when

• Who is a stranger? It's easy for children to think that only scary looking strangers are bad; however, they need to know that even pretty strangers can be dangerous. Explain that a stranger is anyone they do not know, no matter what they look like.

- Do not talk to a stranger. Children need to know that it is OK to ignore a stranger's attempts to talk to them. Encourage them to trust their instincts and if they are being followed or something is not right, get help immediately or run somewhere safe.
- Never approach a stranger's car. Strangers may ask for directions or try to entice a child to get in their car using various schemes. To keep from being grabbed and placed in the car, children should be taught to always stay more than an arm's reach from a vehicle.
- Run, kick, scream. Teach your children to be assertive, and if necessary use whatever means necessary to run away from trouble to get help. You can practice different roleplaying situations at home to build confidence in your child.
- Encourage children to use the buddy system. Whenever possible, don't go it alone. Play or ride bikes with a friend – it's not only safer, it's a whole lot more fun.

It is important that adults equip children with the appropriate knowledge and reliable strategies to keep them safe should they ever find themselves face to face in a stranger danger scenario. For more information regarding this topic, or to have a representative from the sheriff's office talk to students at your school, church or community organization, call the Community Relations Unit at 258-3280. To report a fraud or a scam, call the fraud line at 258-3292 or email at fraudline@sheriffleefl.org. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



Architectural Control Information

Please remember that any exterior changes you plan to make to your home need to be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

For example, this includes reroofing, exterior painting, landscape changes, swing set installations, etc. We live in a deed-restricted community and these controls have been put into place for the good of each homeowner so as to maintain our beautiful community. Please contact Bill Simons (239) 565-4343 or erArchiture@aol.com so that your changes can be reviewed and approved.

A form is available for download from the Eagle Ridge website: www.EagleRidge33912.com on the Resources tab. We plan to work hard for you to keep our community – the

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