



# Eagle Ridge

## A Golf Club Community

“THROUGH THE EYE OF THE EAGLE”

Another Seabreeze Publication

## From Your President

By John Spiegel

I'll always remember the summer of 1965. I turned 16, was about to be a high school junior, an upper classman in my all boys high school, I finally grew a couple of inches and best of all, I got my driver's license. Man, oh man, I had waited my whole life for that. I loved getting the keys to my mom's Impala, roll the windows down, crank up the engine, turn up the radio and off I'd go. Where I went didn't really matter, just the feeling of freedom and the sun on my left arm as it lay on the sill of the driver's door window was enough to make me feel, well, cool.

A favorite destination, growing up in Miami, was South Beach, which in the 1960s was a little like the flashy SoBe of today. About the only thing in common between then and now was the Atlantic Ocean. But in the '60s, South Beach was great for teenagers. The very south end of Ocean Drive was lined with small stores, including surf shops and places

where you could buy snacks and cold sodas. Parking was not only free, but covered because the Miami Beach Kennel Club had a big, two-story oceanfront parking deck where anyone could park.

A large pier, several hundred feet long, was popular with fishermen and fun to jump off despite being prohibited. That made jumping even better. One particular Sunday afternoon stands out. I was driving the Impala, three friends with me in the car, including a best friend, Ross, who was in the back seat, passenger side. We were headed home on Coral Way, a beautiful road through Miami. A miles-long canopy of huge sea grape trees ran down the median (they're still there) dividing the four lanes offering shade, and beauty. The traffic was heavy, so we were creeping along, stop and go.

A City of Miami motorcycle policeman was in the traffic. He was a large, muscle bound guy who looked like he was

about to burst out of his tailored shirt. He was going forward between the cars, slowing down, speeding up, slowing down, so he passed us several times. All was fine, or so I thought, until suddenly I heard the roar of the motorcycle's engine and saw the motorman wheel around and screech to a halt right next to my window. Goliath – or so he seemed – leaned down and ordered me to pull over – now! Holy crap! What happened? I looked in my mirror and there was Ross, looking very sheepish. “What did you do, Ross?” I demanded. “I gave him the finger,” was the reply. “What? Are you crazy?” (A wholly unnecessary question, you'd have to be crazy to give **that** guy the finger).

As the giant dismounted from the Harley Davidson, I began fumbling for my license and my mouth got real dry. I was sure something really bad was about to go down. The unimaginable had just happened.

Over he leans, his big helmeted head filling the window opening, he screams at Ross “I oughta take this badge off and kick your butt you pipsqueak.” I agreed. Ross deserved it. Ross tried to form a sentence but was having trouble getting to “I'm sorry, officer, it was a joke, I'm sorry, I didn't mean it.” Now it was my turn.

“You're the driver; you're responsible for anything that happens.” “Oh, yes, officer, I know, I'm very sorry, I promise you this will never happen again.” I began to wonder how many tickets I was about to get but I was sure I was going to see Goliath again, in traffic court, and I was sure I could kiss my beloved driver's license good-bye, at least for a few months. But, I got lucky. Ross got even luckier. No tickets issued, no butts kicked. I didn't even have to get my license out. But from then on, I made sure nobody in my car gave a cop the finger.

## Who's New In The Neighborhood?

By Arlene Cabai Schuetz

Rick and Peggy Jermyn moved to their Eagle Ridge Drive home from Fargo, N.D. in November of 2017. Originally from New Jersey, they had at first intended to move to Florida's east coast. When a friend, also in Eagle Ridge, mentioned the west coast of Florida, they decided to explore our area. Many communities later, they settled on Eagle Ridge. And, just as so many residents before, they cited the lovely spaces between the homes as one of their deciding factors. Married almost 33 years, they have two daughters and three granddaughters who remain in the Fargo area. But Peggy's visits make up for the distance between them!

Peggy is a senior consultant for an IT firm, Arctic IT. In this position she creates software for Native American tribes, notably, the Seminoles, according to their needs, including tracking membership for each.

I met Peggy as she was recently elected to the Eagle Ridge Board. Interestingly, she had been the auditor for a small town, North River, near Fargo. When she attended our December ERPOA meeting, she found that Peter Van Leeuwen was resigning as secretary/treasurer. She then spoke with John, our president and with Peter, and threw her hat in the ring. She is now our secretary/treasurer!

Rick is retired from the city of Fargo, and he has plenty of projects to keep him busy here. He's currently involved in putting many of their own touches into their new home as well as re-landscaping their yard.

When he's not working at these tasks, Rick's hobby is metal detecting! He's up in the wee hours of the morning, going to the beach to collect various treasures. Among them some little silver rings, coins, etc., just enough to give him, as Rick says, “gas money.” Peggy's hobbies include visiting their daughters, knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch and scrapbooking. Completing the Jermyn family is Bella, a beautiful, happy, little 13-year-old Pomeranian. Please join us in extending a sincere welcome to some of our newest residents!



Bella

## Food And Volunteers Are Needed To Make The Day Successful

Letter carriers in Lee County are gearing up for the 26th annual national letter carrier food drive. The nation's largest single-day food drive, “Stamp Out Hunger,” will be held on Saturday, May 12. 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.

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 are distributed to participating agencies at no cost. 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.

Those who will not be able to leave food on May 12 can 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 preliminary food sorting should contact Tanya Phillips at Harry Chapin Food Bank, (239) 334-7007; those wishing to volunteer to assist drivers in picking up food should contact Kim Berghs at the United Way, (239) 433-2000, Ext. 260.

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.



## 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.

By Arlene Cabai Schuetz

This mama turtle comes by every year to lay her eggs. Here she is near a group of “Easter” lilies.



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# Catch The Action

## May Fishing

By Capt. Bill Russell

May is a month that ranks high on the list for best months for fishing the waters of Southwest Florida. One could argue it's the best month for chasing big fish.

Tarpon season is at its peak, if you want to hook into a big tarpon, this is the time to do it. Large schools will gather off the beaches, as well as in Charlotte Harbor, Pine Island Sound, San Carlos Bay, and other inshore waters. Tarpon, aka the Silver King, will also be hanging around the Sanibel Causeway, Big Carlos Bridge and the Gulf passes with Boca Grande getting the most attention. It's common to see a hundred boats or better on any given day tarpon fishing Boca Grande Pass, if you are going to fish there do your homework first.

Sharks of all sizes invade our waters anywhere from the shallow inshore flats to offshore. Many of the larger females including bull, lemon, and blacktip move into our inshore waters to give birth to their babies. Sharks are a very underrated game fish. When caught on moderate tackle they are an absolute blast, especially high-flying blacktip and spinners. Be very careful when handling them, or better yet leave them in the water at boat side. If you cannot easily remove the hook, cut the leader as close to the hook as possible.

It's time for big snook to head for the Gulf passes and nearby areas for their upcoming summer spawning session. Snook season is closed through the summer, if you catch one please handle it with extra care for a safe release. Never hang a large fish from its lips or mouth; this has proven to do irreversible damage to the heavier fish, likely leading to its death, plus it's illegal. It's best to not remove a big fish from the water at all, not just snook, but any big fish to be released.

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Hooking a redfish should get more consistent heading into the month. Calm mornings give sight fishermen on the skinny flats some great opportunities at stalking tailing fish. Look for good fishing under the shade of the mangroves on the midday high tides. Redfish may run from sub legal of less than 18 inches up to 30 inches or better.

Of all fish, mangrove snapper is my favorite on the table. They aren't the biggest fish around, but they fight incredibly hard for their size and offer excellent table fare. As we move closer to summer expect good numbers of snapper throughout the inshore waters, the Gulf passes, and nearshore reefs.



This is a month to be prepared for anything; you never know what you might run into. I like to always keep a large rig handy, just in case. If you are targeting tarpon or sharks you will already have the heavy arsenal out, but if you are just having fun on the flats with trout you never know when that once in a lifetime cobia or school of tarpon might show up. Preparation and awareness is the key. Have a rod that will handle the job rigged and ready and pay attention or that trophy fish might just swim right by without you even knowing it. Weather should be good and fishing even better. Get out there and take advantage of it!

For charter information, please contact us at Gulf Coast Guide Service and "Catch the Action" with Capt. Bill Russell, phone: (239) 283-7960, website: [www.fishpineisland.com](http://www.fishpineisland.com), email: [gcl2fish@live.com](mailto:gcl2fish@live.com).

Capt. Bill Russell is a native and lifelong resident of Pine Island who has spent his entire life fishing the waters surrounding Pine Island and Southwest Florida. For the past 21 years Bill has been a professional fishing guide who takes pride in customizing each trip to ensure everyone on board has a great time and will return again. Come join us and "Catch the Action."



# Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

**In Search For The Metal Muse: Juxtapositions In Disarray**  
**An Esposito And Lana Collection Of Works**  
**Friday, May 4 – 6 to 10 p.m. (Opening)**  
**Tuesday, May 22 – 5 p.m. (Closing)**

Patricia Esposito is a unique abstract multimedia artist. Her passion is boldly exploring contrasts in her use of materials. She grew up hiking in the woods of New Jersey and exploring the streets of New York City. Currently she is engaging in expeditions through the Florida Everglades.

Jay Lana is a self-taught sculptor who lives in Southwest Florida. His artistic process began as a child when he used to dismantle various devices and then added the components to his toys.

**Tri-Loom Weaving Workshop With Instructor Rose Young**  
**Art To Wear – Triangular Shawl**  
**May 16 – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**\$60 class, \$20 kit fee (kit fee paid to instructor at class)**

Class will create a large one-of-a-kind, shawl to wear or use as tapestry wall hanging from a variety of supplied yarns, ribbons, fabric, embellishments. Bring special yarns you might have. Wooden loom comes apart for storage. Yours to keep for many other projects. Full written handouts, examples and instructions for beginner to advanced; learn basics of weaving on continuous strand triangular loom weaving both warp and weft on two sides at the same time! Finished shawl is an artwork you will be proud to wear or display as wall art.

**Supply List:**  
Scissors and yardstick  
Yarn in a variety of colors and sizes: novelty and nubby

yarns, cottons, synthetics, ribbons, etc.

Several plastic bowls or buckets to keep yarn balls from rolling away

Hammer – rubber mallet best (some will be provided)

Push pins – metal or plastic – 200

Stick shuttles or long plastic needle if you have (some will be provided)

Optional: May use fabric strips if desired – cut or torn in ½-inch to 2-inch strips

**\$20 Kit Fee Provided By Instructor Includes:**  
Large triangular wooden loom: able to be taken apart for storage

6-inch weaving needle

A variety of yarns: cotton, chenille, synthetics, wool, silk, ribbons

Use of equipment: several rubber mallets, scissors, stick shuttles

**Art And Poetry Networking Event**  
**May 24 – 8 to 11 p.m.; \$10**

Join Gulf Coast Leisure at SBDAC on Thursday, May 24 at 8 p.m. for the Art and Poetry Networking Event! Mixed media artists, music, spoken word, and vendors are all highlighted each month. Attendees also have a chance to network and connect with other like-minded people in the arts community. Sign up early to perform, or be a part of the audience and enjoy this interactive music and art showcase!

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# Now Hear This

## Hearing Loss Need Not Be A Struggle For All Involved

By Lisa Klop, Au.D.

Robert Seidler, a seasoned filmmaker, ruptured both eardrums while filming in an experimental aircraft. As an avid bicyclist, Seidler had always found that riding created a “Zen-like” environment where he could talk about important issues with those he loved. However, as his hearing worsened, this special environment fell silent. He became increasingly depressed and withdrawn, describing the loss as “profound as a death.”

Seidler’s family and friends shared how his hearing loss affected them during an interview for an online docuseries, *It’s Your Choice*. Seidler’s daughter said, “Whenever I try to talk to him, I have to repeat everything at least once. Conversation loses its momentum.” Meanwhile, Seidler’s wife expressed concern that while biking he might miss sounds alerting him to oncoming dangers. One of Seidler’s closest friends shared the frustration that friends and family of a person with hearing loss will recognize: “Would you please get a hearing aid? Why won’t you do this?”

### Frustrations Associated With Hearing Loss

For the person with limited hearing, the negative emotions often include:

- Loneliness due to withdrawal from social situations because of inability to keep up with conversations
  - Embarrassment when misunderstanding what others say
  - Fear their disability will contribute to people thinking they’re “old” or “infirm”
  - Frustration at not being able to easily understand speech or audio from TV and movies
  - Anxiety, stress and grief that can contribute to depression.
- But they’re not the only ones affected. Friends feel

hurt when their invitations to come over or go out on the town are always turned down. Family members run low on patience having to repeat themselves constantly, shout to be heard, and live with the television volume so loud it’s painful.

### Confronting Hearing Loss

Seidler finally met with a hearing care professional who diagnosed him as having a high-frequency loss and fitted him with a pair of hearing aids. During his first bike ride afterward, he discovered he could hold conversations with ease. “The last time I heard like today, I was in my 20s,” Seidler said. “I’m 65 now. Pretty magical!” His family and friends think the change is “pretty magical,” too.

Hearing aids do much more than help you hear. They transform the way wearers like Seidler interact with the world, relieving negative emotions and improving interpersonal relationships. If you have hearing loss but have been putting off doing something about it, consider how it affects your life – and everyone in it.

Dr. Klop is a Senior Educational Specialist for Sivantos Inc. She is responsible for training customers and sales staff on the company’s current technology and products. She conducts training sessions in customers’ offices, remotely, via webinars, and at regional and national events. Areas of particular expertise include hearing assistive technology and fitting kids and teens. Prior to joining Sivantos (then Siemens Hearing Instruments) in 2012, she operated a private dispensing practice for six years. Other clinical experience includes hospital, ENT and nonprofit clinics. Lisa obtained her doctorate degree in audiology from Central Michigan University in 2005.



# Adoptable Cats And Kittens

## Triscuit

Hi there! I’m Triscuit! I am a beautiful, 1-year-old, calico kitty and I just had a litter of kittens. I am



being fostered while I raise my babies and will be available for adoption very soon! I will be spayed and brought up-to-date on all vaccines. My adoption fee is only \$100. To find out more about me, call Diane at (860) 833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com.

## Malia

Hi there! I’m Malia! I am a very pretty Siamese girl with beautiful blue eyes. I’m about 7 years old. I would prefer to be the only cat in the house, but I get along well with dogs! I am currently staying with a foster mom. I am spayed and up-to-date on all vaccines. My adoption fee is only \$100. To find out more about me, call Diane at (860) 833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com.



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# Eagle Ridge 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 28. 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 (pictured here) of Dawn Kinghorn, Betty Mayo, Angie Corsale and Kathy Gentry was followed closely by runners-up Pat Adcock, Jill Burchill, Mary Zimmerman and Faith Wassersug. Closest to the Pin winners (also pictured) were Dawn Kinghorn, Maureen Pastorio and Peg Lear.

Several of the winners of the annual **Best Two Rounds of Three League Tournament** are also pictured. Tee Pazitney was the Gross winner with a two round total of 160. Barb Keller was the First Flight winner with a 124 net total for the two rounds. Barb Baker posted a net score of 130 to capture

the Second Flight championship and Nancy Simpson was the Third Flight winner with 133. 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 at the Eagle Ridge Lakes Community Building. A special thanks to Kathy Furlong and the other league members who contributed to the success of the luncheon.

Thanks to the entire Eagle Ridge staff for their cooperation throughout the season. We hope to come back next season strong as ever as our membership has increased steadily for the past five seasons.

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!

### Eagle Ridge Ladies’ Wednesday Morning Golf

#### Winners For March 7 Include:

##### “Field Score”

First Place:	41	Barb Keller
Second Place:	44	Renie Green
Third Place:	49	Kathy Furlong
Fourth Place:	50	Nancy Simpson, Tee Pazitney

##### Low Putts:

First:	32	Betty Mayo
Second:	33	Fran Danek

**Birdies:** Tee Pazitney, No. 6 and No. 13

**Chip-ins:** Angie Corsale, Nancy Allen

#### Winners For March 14 Include:

##### “Alternative Score”

First Place:	53	Pat Adcock, Barb Baker, Amy Shea
Second Place:	55	Bonnie Soltesz

Third Place:	56	Nancy Simpson, Pat Koniecki
Fourth Place:	58	Phyllis Wayco, Barb Keller, Nancy Campbell

##### Low Putts:

First: Linda Johnson

**Birdies:** Pat Adcock, No. 9; Barb Baker, No. 14; Renie Green, No. 15; Tee Pazitney, No. 10 and No. 16; Phyllis Wayco, No. 8

**Chip-ins:** Pat Adcock, Nancy Campbell, Kathy Gentry, Barb Keller

#### Winners For March 21 Include:

##### “Improve Your Score”

First Place:	22	Betty Mayo
Second Place:	21	Kathy Furlong, Louise Frehill
Third Place:	20	Jill Burchill, Pat Romano
Fourth Place:	17	Kito Miller
Fifth Place:	16	Bonnie Soltesz

##### Low Putts:

First:	30	Pat Koniecki
Second:	32	Pat Adcock, Fran Danek, Barb Keller

**Birdies:** Pat Adcock, No. 5; Angie Corsale, No. 5; Barb Keller, No. 6, No. 15 and No. 17; Kathy Furlong, No. 6; Dawn Kinghorn, No. 7 and No. 8

**Chip-ins:** Andrea Abrams, Pat Arnet, Jill Burchill

#### League Tournament Winners Include:

**Low Gross:** 160 Tee Pazitney

##### Low Net:

##### First Flight

First:	124	Barb Keller
Second:	130	Kathy Furlong

##### Second Flight

First:	130	Barb Baker
Second:	140	Bonnie Soltesz

##### Third Flight

First:	133	Nancy Simpson
Second:	140	Angie Corsale

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Winning team: Dawn Kinghorn, Betty Mayo, Angie Corsale and Kathy Gentry



Runners-up: Pat Adcock, Jill Burchill, Mary Zimmerman and Faith Wassersug



Closest to the Pin winners: Dawn Kinghorn, Maureen Pastorio and Peg Lear

## 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 erArchitecture@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](http://www.EagleRidge33912.com) on the **Resources** tab.

We plan to work hard for you to keep our community – the one you all moved into – please help us do that!

*The Board of Directors*

## Eagle Ridge Bulletin Board

*If you have an announcement, we will include it in this column. E-mail [rontloughan@gmail.com](mailto:rontloughan@gmail.com) with your request.*

### The Greeters Club

Meeting information is not available.  
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### Continental Women’s Club Of Fort Myers

The Continental Women’s Club meeting on Thursday, May 3 will honor our past presidents and install the new officers for 2018/19. Join us in paying tribute to our current and past leadership at 11:30 a.m. at The Hideaway Country Club. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$22. Please call (239) 691-7561 for additional information.

The annual scholarship fundraiser held on March 19 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.  
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### Fort Myers Republican Women’s Club

Republican candidates for State Attorney will be the featured speakers at the monthly Fort Myers Republican Women’s luncheon on Tuesday, May 15. This is one of the candidate forums scheduled for the club. A question-and-answer session will be held following the candidate presentations.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the speaker forum being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch will be followed by the business meeting and program. The luncheon cost is \$20.

Reservations are required by Thursday, May 10, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

Additional information about the club may be obtained by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

### 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.  
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### 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 Lee County Extension Services.

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/>.  
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# Eagle Ridge Kids Play At All Levels — Of Little League Baseball

By Howard Gold

The South Fort Myers Little League (SFMLL) is the organization chartered by Little League Baseball in Williamsport, Pa., for the area encompassing Eagle Ridge. Eleven Eagle Ridge kids are represented among the 400 players on 36 teams in five divisions of the SFMLL.

Tee Ball is the first stage of the system where 4- and 5-year-olds hit off of a tee, run the bases and learn to field batted balls. **Brady Portu** is an Oriole.

Grapefruit (machine pitch) is where the 6- to 7-year-olds learn to hit a moving ball coming at a consistent speed. **Josslyn Downey** is on the Grapefruit Marlins.

Minors is the next step where kids learn how to hit live pitching and begin pitching. **Canon Trombetti** is on the Cubs, **Jackson and Jamison Downey** are Dodgers and **Christian Erwin** plays for the Twins.

Majors is the flagship of Little League Baseball played by 10- to 12-year-olds. **Dylan Thomas** is a Dodger, **Garrett Jones** plays for the Marlins and **Jordan Downey** is a member of the White Sox.

Seniors is played on a full-size diamond for 13- to 16-year-olds. Lee County schools do not offer middle school baseball teams, so this division serves as a bridge from Little League Majors to high school baseball teams. **Aidan Knaak** and **David Portu** are teammates on the Angels.

The SFMLL has completed 25 seasons of play at Rutenberg Park, about seven miles west on Daniels Parkway/Cypress Lake Drive. The SFMLL has won Florida State Championships in 2004, 2007, 2009, 2010 and 2017. I live in the Eagle Ridge community and have been a volunteer since 1997 and the league president since 2002.

## 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.*

**Emily Barnes, (239) 247-3090.** Pet sitting and babysitting. I am a resident on Bald Eagle Drive working as a vet assistant at a local veterinarian office. I have been pet sitting as well as babysitting for many years. If you have any question you are more than welcome to give me a call or text. I will even come by for a meeting, if preferred.

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**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 (757) 449-9823.

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# Eagle Ridge Solheim Cup

By Kathy Furlong

From March 16 through March 22, 16 women golfers competed in our first Eagle Ridge Solheim Cup. These women were divided into two- to eight-woman teams. Dawn Kinghorn was captain of the Red Team: Pat Romano, Barb Baker, Karen Kudrle, Nancy Campbell, Maureen Pistorio, Renie Green and Pat Koniecki. Tee Pazitney was captain of the Blue Team: Nicki Donegan, Bonnie Soltesz, Kathy Furlong, Kathy Gentry, Fran Danek, Jill Burchill and Peg Lear.

The three-day competition consisted of a better ball format on day one, modified alternate shot on day two and a two-person scramble on day three. Each event featured a match play with a point for front, back and total. The Red Team proved victorious 23 to 13.

The event concluded with a luncheon at Shoeless Joe's where the winning Red Team received their trophy. We want to thank our anonymous donor for the \$200 gift, also Barb Baker and Phyllis Wayco for donating coffee and donuts. This event was sponsored and organized by Kathy Furlong, Renie Green, Dawn Kinghorn and Tee Pazitney. We had a wonderful time.

Hopefully this is the first of many Eagle Ridge Solheim Cup competitions.



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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.

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**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, and phone number.

## Eagle Ridge Residents

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

### Are You Receiving E-mail From Eagle Ridge?



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To correct this, send an email to [info@EagleRidge33912.com](mailto:info@EagleRidge33912.com) along with your name and street address.

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# Continental Women’s Club

The Continental Women’s Club meeting on Thursday, May 3 will honor our past presidents and install the new officers for 2018/19. Join us in paying tribute to our current and past leadership at 11:30 a.m. at The Hideaway Country Club. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$22. Please call (239) 691-7561 for additional information.

The annual scholarship fundraiser held on March 19 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 future education endeavors.



# Lee Republican Women

## May 14 Luncheon

- Lee Republican Women Federated May Lunch Meeting (We welcome and encourage the general public to attend.)
- **Venue:** Pinchers – The Marina at Edison Ford, 2360 W. First St., Fort Myers, FL 33901. Located adjacent to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates in the Fort Myers Downtown River District.
- **11:15 a.m.** social. Lunch and program to follow.
- May’s program will be State Rep. Matt Caldwell, candidate for Florida Commissioner of Agriculture.
- **\$22 R.S.V.P.:** <http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com> or Wren Morefield at (270) 210-1284 or [wrenspet@hotmail.com](mailto:wrenspet@hotmail.com) before May 10 at noon.



# Fort Myers Republican Women’s Club

## Candidates For State Attorney To Be Speakers At Monthly Luncheon

Republican candidates for State Attorney will be the featured speakers at the monthly Fort Myers Republican Women’s luncheon on Tuesday, May 15. This is one of the candidate forums scheduled for the club. A question-and-answer session will be held following the candidate presentations.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the speaker forum being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch will be followed by the business meeting and program. The luncheon cost is \$20. Reservations are required by Thursday, May 10, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

Additional information about the club may be obtained by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

# ‘Art By The DisABLEd’ On Exhibit

## May 2 Through June 1

Artwork by participants in Lee Health’s Arts in Healthcare program “Art by the disABLEd” will be on display from Wednesday, May 2 through Friday, June 1 in the BIG ARTS Phillips Art Gallery located at 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel. Contact BIG ARTS at (239) 395-0900 for directions and hours.

As part of this show, an Artists’ **Reception will be held at the BIG ARTS Phillips Art Gallery on Friday, May 4 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.**

Art by the disABLEd is a program for individuals with disabilities who are looking for showcase and exhibition opportunities for their creative works. Each of Lee Health’s hospitals maintains a gallery to display their artwork and the health system arranges an annual juried art show and assists disabled artists in participating in local art shows like the one in May at BIG ARTS. Arts in Healthcare is led by the program coordinator with the support of more than 75 volunteers, and the Art by the disABLEd program is funded by donations. If you would like more information about the Lee Health’s Arts in



Healthcare or the Art by the disABLEd program, please contact Program Coordinator Doug MacGregor, (239) 343-2633 or email to [art@leehealth.org](mailto:art@leehealth.org).

Arts in Healthcare is a nationwide movement that links the expressive arts with the healing arts and brings these into the mainstream of the traditional health care to promote the well-being of those who are ill and their caregivers. It integrates the expressive arts in all forms into the health care setting to provide creative outlets for patients, families and staff.

**About Lee Health**

*Since the opening of the first hospital in 1916, Lee Health has been a health care leader in Southwest Florida, constantly evolving to meet the needs of the community. A nonprofit, integrated health care services organization, Lee Health is committed to the well-being of every individual served, focused on healthy living and maintaining good health. Staffed by caring people, inspiring health, services are conveniently located throughout the community in four acute care hospitals, two specialty hospitals, outpatient centers, walk-in medical centers, primary care and specialty physician practices and other services across the continuum of care. Formerly known as Lee Memorial Health System, the organization began its second century of service with a new name in 2016. Learn more at [www.LeeHealth.org](http://www.LeeHealth.org).*

# 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](http://www.swflcriticalmass.com) or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SWFLcriticalmass>.

Each of us do our best to have nothing but a good time and bring a smile to all that we roll past. You’ll find fun and well organized group bike rides in: Fort Myers, Cape Coral, Sanibel, and Northeast Fort Myers. Put down the challenges of life for a while, get on a bike and ride!

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# Security Central

*By Connie Hope*

March and into April have been hard on the community. We’ve had several automobile break-ins on several different streets – Eagle Ridge Drive, Aeries Way Drive, Twin Eagle Lane and Majestic Eagle Court. The cars were unlocked and robbers went in and took a wallet and change that was in one car. Please, make sure that all car doors are locked, that garage doors are closed and front and back doors are closed and locked. We do get careless at times and forget. You must be diligent about locking doors. The sheriff’s office motto is “Lock it or lose it.” I know you’ve heard me say this before, but it is important. My feeling is the robbers walk down the streets and try all car doors until they find one that is unlocked. They will quickly check for items to steal then move to another street.

Someone crashed into the community’s new garden at the corner of Daniels and Eagle Ridge Drive. We had just finished the stonework and planted a few bromeliads. Did anyone see something? I have called the police and they made a report.

If you see something that doesn’t seem right, call the nonemergency number at (239) 477-1000 or if you feel you want the police immediately, call 911.

You are the eyes and ears of our community. The sheriff’s office will have additional cars going through our community for the next few weeks. This will be during the night and at odd hours.





**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.

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## 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.

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# Cooking By Connie

*By Connie Hope*

May is a great month. If you are from the north the weather is turning warmer and flowers are starting to have blooms. In Florida we are starting to experience weather in the high 80s and little rain. We like to sit out on our lanai, relax and watch the sun travel across the sky. What is May known for? It is National Smile Month and National Egg Month. It is also Carrot and Cauliflower Month. It is Get Caught Up Reading



Month and National Raisin Month. It is also known as National Salad Month. I love different types of salad. Here is one that is really tasty and really easy to make. This can be used as lunch or with dinner. Enjoy!

**Cool Blueberry Summer Salad For Two**


2 cups baby spinach leaves, rinsed and drained  
¼ cup fresh blueberries, cleaned and drained (If you really like blueberries you can add a little more).  
1 to 2 tablespoons crumbled blue cheese  
1 to 2 tablespoons low-fat balsamic vinaigrette

Place spinach leaves on a plate. Add the blueberries, bleu cheese and drizzle the salad dressing on top. Serves 2 to 3.

## 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

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## Lee County Yard Waste Regulations

- **Do not place out for pickup more than 24 hours early.**
- **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.**
- **When using plastic bags, make sure that the contents can be easily identified by the refuse truck driver (leave a twig or small branch sticking out).**
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