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## 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 [newsletter@eagleridge33912.com](mailto:newsletter@eagleridge33912.com).

Photos by  
Sue Clark



Photo by Kathie McDonough



Photo by Dorothy Tursky



View of Eagle Ridge from plane taking off at RSW by Phil Jones



Photo by Ed Schuler

## Ladies On The Links

By Fran Danek

The Eagle Ridge Wednesday Morning Ladies' League got off to a great start in November welcoming back returnees from previous seasons as well as greeting our “rookies.” Welcome to Caryn Mikkelsen, Nancy Klavas, CarolDee Hamilton, Donna Boone (shown in picture); others to follow at future dates.

The “welcome” meeting was followed by league play which served as a practice round for several members who are tuning up for the “Battle of the Sexes” coming soon. As defending champions, we are ready and willing to defend our turf! Good luck ladies!

For our first competition the play of the day was Guess Your Score and the winners were:

- First place:** Perfect guess  
Fran Danek and Joan McDermitt
- Second place:** One under or over  
Gail Tardiff, Pam Nordin, Tee Pazitney
- Third place:** Two over or two under  
Barb Baker, Kathy Furlong, Carol Dee Hamilton
- Low putts:** 27 Nancy Klavas



In addition to the above the collective group carded one birdie, Pat Koniecki, No. 6; and three chip-ins: Karen Kudrle, Pam Nordin and Nancy Klavas. It was a nice way to get the league competition off to a great start.

If you are interested in joining our ladies' league contact Fran at (989) 684-0156 or Phyllis at (239) 561-4619 for more information. We play every Wednesday morning from November through March with tee times beginning at 8:15 a.m. and are always ready to welcome new members.

## Holiday Party



The annual holiday party will be held at the golf course clubhouse on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. R.S.V.P. to Sherri Holly at [sherriholly@comcast.net](mailto:sherriholly@comcast.net). Please include your name and guest name, Eagle Ridge address and your telephone number. Space is limited. Food is complimentary. There will be a cash bar for adult beverages.

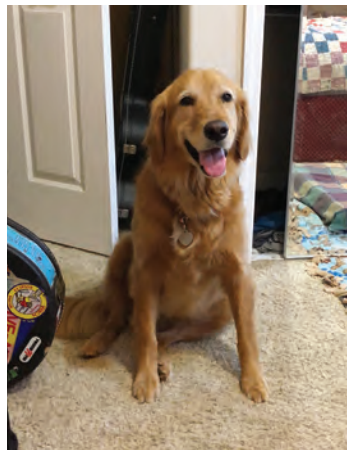
## Pet Of The Month

If you have a pet you would like us to consider for next month's newsletter, please send a picture to [newsletter@eagleridge33912.com](mailto:newsletter@eagleridge33912.com).

This month's pet of the month is in honor of Dixie. Dixie was 5 years and 2 months old and full of life. She came down with a very aggressive malignant thyroid carcinoma. The pictures I am submitting of her are just before she died. It all happened within a 12-day period and it was inoperable and heartbreaking.

Lots of people throughout the neighborhood loved Dixie and realized she was one of the smartest and nicest dogs who loved all people and all animals. Dixie will be missed from everyone in the Twin Eagle vicinity.

Dan Phippen



# HAPPY HOLIDAYS



# Alliance For The Arts

**The Nightmare Before Christmas Outdoor Movie Night**  
**Friday, Dec. 13 – 5:30 to 9 p.m.**  
**Cost: \$10 to \$30**

This year, Christmas will be **ours!** We're celebrating December's Friday the 13th with *The Nightmare Before Christmas* outdoor movie night! Relive the wonder of Tim Burton's classic dual-holiday animated dark fantasy with your friends or bring the kids along for a long overdue introduction to Sally and Jack Skellington.



Join the spellebration under the stars on our festival grounds and bring your blankets or lawn chairs for first-come, first-served seating. Come by early and meet Sally and Jack in person, play lawn games or have your face painted by Krafty Kate's Face Painting Kreations! Costumes encouraged! Food, soda, water and adult beverages will be available for purchase. No coolers please.

Limited presale tickets are available for \$10 per person or \$30 for a Jack Pack, which includes a total of four tickets. Kids 5 and under get in free. On the night of the event, tickets are \$15 per person.

Gates open at 5:30 p.m. Arrive early to get a good spot! Movie begins at 7 p.m.

This event is sponsored by PDS Architecture, Salty Sam's Pirate Cruise and Red-Headed Witches.

**About The Nightmare Before Christmas**

Jack Skellington, the pumpkin king of Halloween Town, is bored with doing the same thing every year for Halloween. One day he stumbles into Christmas Town and is so taken with the idea of Christmas that he tries to get the resident bats, ghouls and goblins of Halloween Town to help him put on Christmas instead of Halloween – but alas, they can't get it quite right.

**The Mountaintop By Katori Hall And Directed By Rick Sebastian**

**Jan. 16, 2020 through 26**

**Cost: Members, \$22; nonmembers, \$26**



*The Mountaintop* is a two-person drama about the last day of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The entire play is set in the Lorraine Hotel room, the evening before his assassination. King is alone, trying to create yet another powerful speech. When he orders a cup of coffee from room service, a mysterious woman arrives, bringing much more than a late-night beverage. What follows is a reflective, often funny, often touching conversation in which Dr. King examines his achievements, his failures and his unfinished dreams. Starring Derek Lively and Sonya McCarter.

Production sponsored by William and Shareen Groce with support from the National Endowment of the Arts.

**New Play Contest 2019: 500-Plus Entries. Three Finalists. One Winner – Chosen By You**

**Saturday, Dec. 14 – 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

**Cost: \$50**

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a reception in the gallery with food, wine and drink. At 7:30 p.m. there will be readings from the top three entries to the Annual New Play Contest. After the last play is read, vote for your favorite and determine the winner. That show will then be produced in the 2020/21 season and receive the Janet and Bruce Bunch New Play Contest Award.



The New Play Contest, now in its 21st year, provides opportunity for audiences to get involved with the production process itself, rather than the end result. Finalists are selected from over 500 entries around the world.

**Alliance For The Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33919, (239) 939-2787.**



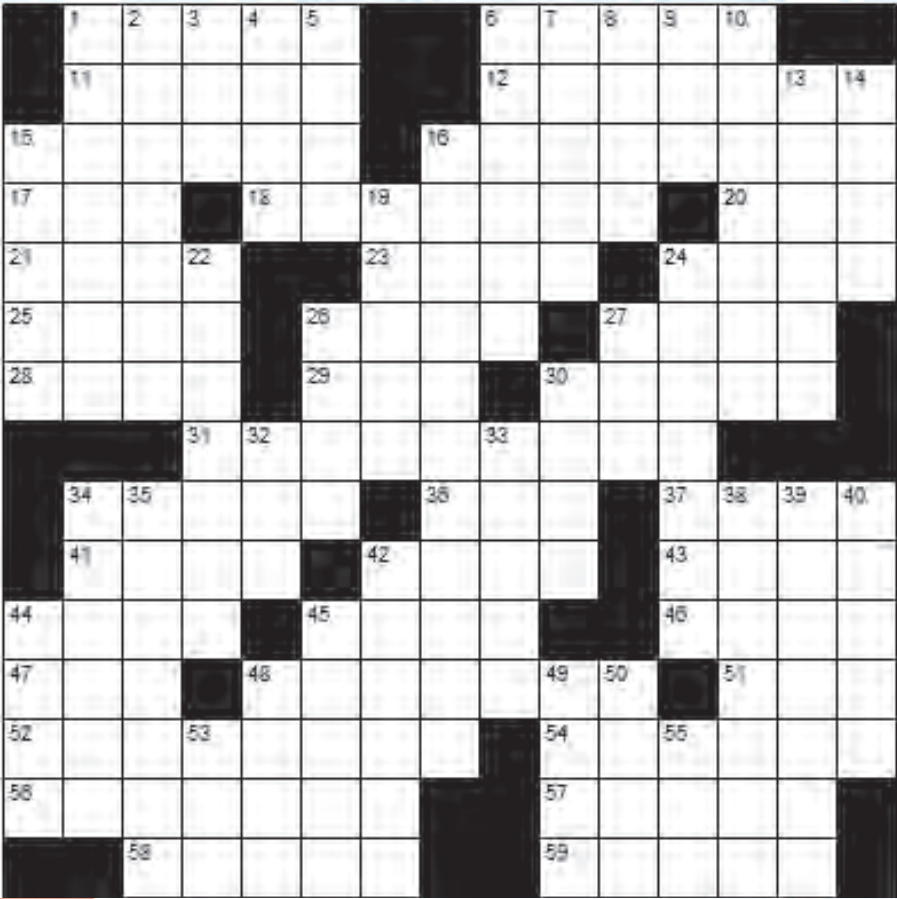
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## Crossword Puzzle

### Across

- 1. Beverage
- 6. Upon
- 11. Creepy
- 12. Fine or decorative clothing
- 15. Personal security
- 16. Brightest
- 17. Citrus drink
- 18. A British title of respect
- 20. Slime
- 21. Roman emperor
- 23. Previously owned
- 24. Panderer
- 25. One who colors cloth
- 26. Obtains
- 27. Small, medium or large
- 28. Sow
- 29. An Old Testament king
- 30. More pleasant
- 31. One who indulges in eroticism
- 34. Not domesticated
- 36. Henpeck
- 37. Hawaiian strings
- 41. Helper
- 42. Cumberbund
- 43. Deliver a tirade
- 44. Beseech
- 45. Liability
- 46. Therefore
- 47. Tear
- 48. Full
- 51. Genus of macaws
- 52. Start
- 54. Displace
- 56. Handcuff
- 57. Stinks
- 58. Excrete
- 59. Fecal matter



- 10. Compose an elegy
- 13. Chemical cousin
- 14. At the peak of
- 15. Smooths
- 16. Capable of being continued
- 19. Mission
- 22. Hospital attendant
- 24. Painting
- 26. Jail (British)
- 27. Female sibling
- 30. Near
- 32. Beam
- 33. Hindu social division
- 34. Fine wheat meal
- 35. Pertaining to cobra-like snakes
- 38. Modern sing-along
- 39. Engage
- 40. Brown ermine
- 42. Seven member group
- 44. Dainty
- 45. Trades
- 48. Type of cereal grass

- 49. Territory
- 50. Type of sword
- 53. Children's game
- 55. Record (abbrev.)

*Crossword Solution  
in this issue*



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# Habitat ReStore Helps Build Affordable Housing

After receiving a record number of donated goods last fiscal year, the Habitat for Humanity ReStores in Lee County were able to help offset the costs of building 65 affordable homes.

The ReStores accept gently used furniture, appliances and building materials from homeowners, contractors and businesses. These items are later sold to the public at a discount rate and 100 percent of ReStore profits are used to build or rehab homes for local families in Lee and Hendry counties.

With four locations in Lee County, the ReStore logged 18,846 donation drop-offs or pickups this year, an increase of 16 percent from 2017/18.

“We make donating to the ReStore easy for our residents and partner businesses. Items can be dropped off at any of our four stores or a pickup can be scheduled for larger items,” said Tammy Moran, vice president of ReStore administration.

“The more donated goods we receive, the more items we can sell to support Habitat’s mission of building decent and affordable homes.”

Through donations and volunteer labor, Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties built and sold a total of 65 homes to local families in fiscal year 2018/19. Families in need of a hand up partner with Habitat to build a place they can call home. Qualified Habitat homebuyers undergo a rigorous process of investing 300 hours of “sweat equity” and completing homeownership classes which include financial literacy and home maintenance.

“We know housing that is safe, healthy and affordable is foundational for families to thrive,” said Becky Lucas, CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties. “Our ReStores are instrumental in supporting our vision of a world where everyone has a decent place to live.”

There are four ReStore locations in Lee County: South

Fort Myers at 16133 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs at 9080 Bonita Beach Road., North Fort Myers at 31 Willis Road and a new store in Fort Myers at 15271 McGregor Blvd.

Donated goods can be dropped off at the ReStore, by scheduling a pickup at [habitat4humanity.org/restore](https://www.habitat4humanity.org/restore) or calling (239) 652-0388. Please visit our website <https://www.habitat4humanity.org/restore/accepted-donation-items/> to see our list of accepted donations.

## About Habitat For Humanity Of Lee And Hendry Counties

Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties is one of the largest Habitat affiliates in the country. Since 1982, 1,600 families in need of a hand up have partnered with Habitat Lee and Hendry to build or improve their home. Habitat homeowners, alongside volunteers, help build their own home and pay an affordable mortgage. Through volunteering, financial or material donations, everyone can help Lee and Hendry county families achieve strength, stability and independence. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, visit [www.habitat4humanity.org](http://www.habitat4humanity.org).



## Lee County Sheriff's Department



### Tons Of Shredding Success

Thank you, Lee County residents for your help in making “Celebrate Safe Communities” shred event a **huge** success! We encouraged you to safeguard your identity and lower your risk of becoming a victim of ID theft and you overwhelmingly responded, resulting in the collection and destruction of more than 12,000 pounds or six tons of personally identifiable information.

This event would not have been possible without the services provided by the Bell Tower Shops, Secure Shredding Solutions/Crown Information Management, volunteers from the Lee County Sheriff's Office Explorers Unit, and team members from the Community Response Unit.

## Montage Women's Club

The Montage Women's Club is a social and philanthropic club open to all women residing in Lee County. We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month at The Landings Yacht, Golf, and Tennis Club (off McGregor Boulevard south of College Parkway). Meetings begin at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and are followed by an informative program. Within the organization are various interest groups for members' participation. Membership is open to both year-round and seasonal residents. We welcome you to visit Montage for a luncheon.

Due to the December holiday season, our next meeting takes place Friday, Dec. 20 at 11:30 a.m. Our speaker will be Greg Parker, a local TV celebrity news anchor, who reports the morning news on the ABC channel. Greg is not only a very talented entertainer, but he is an expert guitar player. Greg has agreed to bring his guitar to our meeting and will lead our membership in some holiday carols. If you would like to attend a Montage meeting, need further information, or would like to make a reservation, please call (239) 481-7765.

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# Security Central

By *Connie Hope*

Keeping our fingers crossed, it has been a quiet month in the Eagle Ridge community. My connection in the sheriff’s office has driven through the community many times to check the community and check for people speeding.

Remember that school is open, and the kids are waiting in the dark. Drive slowly and be alert. People have a tendency to speed in the morning as it is still dark, and they feel no one is about. Well, the kids are waiting for buses so **drive slowly**.



There was one incident with an animal on Aeries Way Drive during the month.

We are coming up on the holidays, so make sure that you have locked your cars and your house doors. Make sure you close your garage door. Be alert and always keep your eyes out for questionable people. If you feel there could be a problem, call 911. Or call the nonemergency number if you feel it is questionable at (239) 477-1000. You are the eyes and ears of our community.

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Contact Joe Foster....(239) 218-7714 and leave your name, address and phone number.

**Flagpole Holders and Damaged Mailbox Repairs, Painting of Mailboxes and Light Poles**  
Contact Dennis Shelley, (239) 887-1042.

**ERPOA Web Maintenance**  
Contact Ed Schuler, (267) 513-0800.

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NOTICE

Please clean up after your dog

- The Board of Directors

# In Memoriam

**Norman Palmer Swales** died on Oct. 11 at his Eagle Ridge home in Fort Myers, Fla. He volunteered and served on the ERPOA Board shortly after moving into Eagle Ridge in late 2005. In all, he served six consecutive years, first as treasurer and later as president. He revitalized and converted the homeowner’s database making it more user-friendly and able to print addresses. This project consumed many man hours after which he fully endorsed making the treasurer position one that was paid. He presided over many contentious situations seeking resolve with wit, humor and sensitivity. He was surely one of a kind and will be missed.



Norman was born in Woodstock, New Brunswick on June 2, 1948 and grew up in northern Maine. He graduated from Houlton High School in 1966 and headed south to Ithaca, N.Y., where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Cornell University in 1970.

After graduation, Norman joined RCA in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., where he was responsible for their Series 400 Microprocessor and COSMAC LSI logic design, an early phase of computer development. His team developed the COSMAC microprocessor (known as an integrated circuit or computer chip) which became the cornerstone of almost every technical device in use today.

He moved to Harris Corporation where he was promoted to director of hardware development. He received his MBA from the University of Florida while at Harris. He moved to California in the late ’80s and worked on many computer and telephone innovations at Unisys and NET. He started Selaws

Technology Inc. in 2000 and worked with General Dynamics. He semi-retired in 2005 and moved to Fort Myers.

Norman was at the birth of the modern technological world and an integral part of the electronic revolution that is central to our lives today. He was a visionary and had a knack for making the impossible happen.

Norman was especially proud of his work on the team that designed the radio carried aboard the two *Voyager* space crafts. *Voyager One* is now the only man-made craft traveling in interstellar space. Its radio sent back mankind’s first closeup pictures of the outermost planets resulting in many important scientific discoveries.

After retiring, he returned to his roots and maintained his family camp on East Grand Lake in Orient, Maine, where he would summer with his wife and family. He felt the area grounded him and he never lost his love of nature. He enjoyed working in the woods and repairing “the camp.” He and his wife took many RV trailer camping expeditions and his stories of their adventures were famous both in Florida and Maine. His nickname in Maine was aptly “Norman Long Story.” He also enjoyed playing golf and bridge, doing yard work and crossword puzzles and especially participating in happy hour. He was a great cook and an excellent baker. He believed butter could make anything better. His crème brûlée, baklava and Key lime pie were favorites of friends and neighbors.

Norman leaves his wife and partner of 25 years, Carolee Drotos-Swales; his son John Swales (Diane) Boca Raton, Fla.; his daughter Holly Beth Swales Kane (Chris) Tampa, Fla.; his grandchildren Sean and Chloe Swales and Delaney Kane; his brother William Swales (Joanne); and nephew Jimmy Swales, Bangor, Maine.

As was his wish, Norman has been cremated and his ashes will be spread on East Grand Lake next summer. Donations can be made in his name to the Florida State Parks Foundation and/or Hope Hospice, Fort Myers.

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## Eagle Ridge Bulletin Board

*If you have an announcement, we will include it in this column. Email newsletter@eagleridge33912.com with your request.*

### Camera Club Invites Enthusiasts To Attend Bimonthly Meetings

All photography enthusiasts are invited to attend a Fort Myers Camera Club meeting on Friday from Nov. 1 through April 3. The meetings are held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first and third Friday at the Cypress Lake United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 8570 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers.

Anyone interested in photography at any level is welcome. Mentor programs, outings, competitions and exhibitions, guest lecturers and more provide members with opportunities to improve their photography skills and make new friends.

Additional information about the club is available at [www.fortmyerscc.com](http://www.fortmyerscc.com).

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### Holiday Bazaar

The Craftie Ladies of St. John XXIII Catholic Church are hosting their seventh annual holiday craft sale on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come see us and what we’ve been working on for the holidays: quilts, afghans, wreaths, items for babies and children of all ages, and lots of holiday articles! We are on Palomino Road, just off Daniels.

Mark your calendars ... we’d love to see you there!

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### Battle Of The Sexes

The 2019 Battle of the Sexes golf outing will be held at the Eagle Ridge golf course, Sunday, Dec. 8. There will be an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start; entries are capped at 24 men, 24 women. Dinner and awards are to follow at 3 p.m. at Olive Garden, 12870 Cleveland Ave. (U.S. 41), Fort Myers. Sign-up sheets will be available in the Pro Shop on Nov. 1.

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### Continental Women’s Club Of Fort Myers

Join us on Thursday, Dec. 12 to enjoy a wonderful program presented by the Fort Myers High School Jazz Band. They will entertain with a variety of music including some holiday favorites.

Continental Women’s Club monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at The Hideaway Country Club, 5670 Trailwinds Drive, Fort Myers 33907. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$24. Please call (239) 691-7561 for additional information.

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### Foster Homes Needed

Lee County Domestic Animal Services (LCDAS) is in desperate need of fosters. The facility is overflowing with kittens. LCDAS

provides all food, litter and other supplies needed to care for the kittens. Please contact Michele Penney at (239) 533-9201 if you are interested in fostering.

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### 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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### 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 Board members: John Spiegel, Hewitt B. McCloskey Jr., Peggy Jermyn, Christine Leslie or send an email to [Info@EagleRidge33912.com](mailto:Info@EagleRidge33912.com).

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### Ways To Communicate

Eagle Ridge has a Facebook page. This is a private group **only** for Eagle Ridge residents. To join, find “Eagle Ridge Community Fort Myers” on Facebook. Then click on request to join. You will be prompted to enter your address. This will be checked against property records to confirm you are a resident.

Eagle Ridge is also on NextDoor.com. You can join and select to communicate with only Eagle Ridge residents and/or our neighboring communities.

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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 Extension Lee County.

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 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 Debby LeBlanc at Newsletter@eagleridge33912.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 veterinarian's 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.

**Nancy Crook, (239) 220-0396.** Need assistance in your home, meals, grocery shopping, doctor/dentist appointments, light housekeeping, and personal care? I live on American Eagle Court. I have many years of experience with in-home assistance. How can I help you?

**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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**Connie Hope, (215) 527-1217.** 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.

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**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.

**Estela Kimble, (239) 208-8287.** CPR-AED – First Aid certified. Can provide assistance with mobility concerns such as bathing/ dressing/ housekeeping/ skilled at preparing healthy meals as a chef ... offering my services in private homes.

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**Kelly Porche, (239) 841-2135.** If you are in need of a good house cleaning let me do the work for you! I have been cleaning homes for many years and I come with references.

## Cooking By Connie

By Connie Hope

The holidays are coming, and kids are getting excited. What else is December known for? It is Worldwide Food Service Safety Month, National Tie Month and Safe Toy and Gift Month. National Hand Washing Awareness week is Dec. 1 to 7 and National Clean Off Your Desk Day is Dec. 8. I really need that one.

During the holidays, I love to make all types of sweetbreads and give them as gifts. Here is my recipe for Cranberry-Orange Bread. Give it a try and happy holidays.

### Cranberry-Orange Bread

2 cups flour

Pinch of salt

½ teaspoon baking soda

1 cup sugar

1½ teaspoons baking powder

1 egg

1 unpeeled orange; skin cleaned well and cut into eighths

2 tablespoons margarine and add to boiling water to make 1 cup

1 cup walnuts or pecans

1 cup fresh cranberries – put into blender and chop. Set aside.

### Directions

Mix flour, salt, baking soda, sugar, baking powder. Set aside in bowl. Put oranges and cranberries in blender with egg. Pulse. Blend until peel is finely chopped. Add nuts to flour mixture, pour in orange/cranberry mixture, butter and water. Mix together then put in loaf pans.

Bake one large loaf and one small loaf or several smaller loaves. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour and 10 minutes for the larger loaf and one hour for the smaller loaves. Check with a knife several times.



**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

## Eagle Ridge Residents

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

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



## 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 Rick Jermyn (701) 388-0419 or RAJermyn1@gmail.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 one you all moved into – please help us do that!

The Board of Directors



## 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 **sixth** of each month. Email articles, pictures or information for the Bulletin Board, to newsletter@eagleridge33912.com.

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

**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, and phone number.



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On Friday evening, Jan. 31, 2020, join us at the VIP Club opening night party and dance to the music of Silver Sneakers, enjoy delectable culinary delights from some of our area’s finest restaurants, great wine and ice-cold beer. The evening also includes an extraordinary sampling of 65 festival artists. We have VIP parking adjacent to the art festival reserved just for you.

Over festival weekend, relax in comfort and style in the VIP Club. This ticket-holder only retreat in the center of all the festival action creates a restful break amid your artful shopping. The VIP Club includes breakfast treats, specialty lunch, afternoon snack bar and beverages all day and convenient reserved parking.

The VIP Club is \$125 per person. To enjoy the ArtFest Fort Myers VIP Club and our over 200 artists as a Very Important Patron visit [ArtFestFortMyers.com](http://ArtFestFortMyers.com) and click on VIP Club button or call (239) 768-3602.



VIP Club sponsor, Ron Bucher, senior director-investments at Oppenheimer & Co. Inc., will welcome everyone to an artful weekend. “I look forward to this event every year – the arts change life for the better and are so important to our community in Southwest Florida. I am proud to be a part of this nationally award-winning art festival.”

ArtFest Fort Myers, the annual juried fine art festival, takes place Jan. 31, Feb. 1 and 2, 2020 in the Fort Myers River District. Join the experience with over 200 professional artists from across the county and around the world; the largest high school art exhibit and competition in south Florida and free interactive art experiences for children of all ages.



For more information visit [ArtFestFortMyers.com](http://ArtFestFortMyers.com) or contact us as (239) 768-3602 or [info@ArtFestFortMyers.com](mailto:info@ArtFestFortMyers.com). Like us on Facebook. Follow us on Instagram. Tag us #artfestfm.



**What:** Southwest Florida’s premier art festival featuring over 200 national artists, high school art competition, street chalk art competition, children’s art activities, fine food and entertainment  
**When:** Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020 – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 2 – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Downtown Fort Myers River District on Edwards Drive  
**VIP Club:** \$125 per person; [ArtFestFortMyers.com](http://ArtFestFortMyers.com) and click on VIP Club for tickets.  
**Cost:** Free general admission  
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# Minutes For ERPOA Board Of Directors Meeting

## November 4, 2019

These minutes will not be approved until the next Board Meeting.

Welcome to all Eagle Ridge Property Owners to the Board of Directors Meeting. This will confirm that the notice for this meeting was posted more than 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by John Spiegel, president. Board members present were John Spiegel, president; Peggy Jermyn, secretary/treasurer; Hewitt B. McCloskey, Jr., director; Kathy Furlong, director. Absent was Christine Leslie, vice president.

A quorum was reached. There were 15 residents present.

Request was made to approve the Minutes for the October 14, 2019 Board Meeting.

1. First Motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2019: Hewitt McCloskey
2. Second Motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2019: Peggy Jermyn
3. All voted in favor. The motion was passed.

### Treasurer’s Monthly Report: Peggy Jermyn

#### Bank Account Balances as of 10/31/2019

- BOA
  - a. Checking Account ending in 1247 – \$7,366.22
  - b. Reserve Account ending in 3976 – \$107,974.37
- TIAA
  - TIAA Certificate of Deposit – - \$100,983.48
  - TIAA Money Market Account - \$161,979.19
- Total of all accounts: \$378,303.26

### 2020 Budget And Reserves

#### Preliminary 2020 Budget:

Most line items are very close or the same as 2019. The legal expense budget has been reduced by \$10,000 based on 2019 YTD expenses and the current state of the condo lawsuit. We also have \$10,000 in contingency funds in the budget.

#### Preliminary 2020 Reserves:

I have deducted the ERCA pipe replacement cost from the Reserve Storm Drainage Replacement row reducing the balance in that reserve fund by \$23,128.27.

We have not and will not fund the reserves in 2019 since we added an additional \$25,000 to the reserves in 2018. We will have to fund the reserves in 2020 (\$28,704.15 proposed amount).

#### 2019 Budget to Actual Expenses included for reference.

	2019 Budget	2020 Budget	Variance from 2019 Budget
<b>Income</b>			
Annual Dues (net)	\$185,539.00	\$181,134.00	-\$4,405.00
Estoppel Fees	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Directory Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Late Fees	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
Mailbox Reimbursement	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
Recouped DOR Fines	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Settlements	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	-\$3,000.00
Transfer Fees	\$1,400.00	\$1,250.00	-\$150.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$199,139.00</b>	<b>\$192,084.00</b>	<b>-\$7,055.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>\$10,545.00</b>	<b>\$10,550.00</b>	\$5.00
General Liability	\$3,170.00	\$3,000.00	-\$170.00
Crime	\$425.00	\$600.00	\$175.00
Directors/Officers	\$5,250.00	\$5,250.00	\$0.00
Umbrella	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	\$0.00
<b>Legal</b>	<b>\$45,000.00</b>	<b>\$35,000.00</b>	-\$10,000.00
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	\$0.00
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$35,400.00</b>	<b>\$33,533.85</b>	-\$1,866.15
Accounting Services	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Administrative	\$9,500.00	\$8,000.00	-\$1,500.00
Annual Report-State of FL	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Civil Engineering Services	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$0.00
Contingency	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Meeting Room Rental	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$800.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Office Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,533.85	\$33.85
Printing	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Postage & Delivery	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Social Events	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Web Site Expense	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
<b>Property Maintenance</b>	<b>\$83,296.00</b>	<b>\$83,396.00</b>	\$100.00
Aquatic Services	\$1,656.00	\$1,656.00	\$0.00
Conservation Maintenance	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00	-\$2,000.00
Electrical Work	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Fertilizer Application	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
Irrigation Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00
Landscape Beautification (shrubs)	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00
Landscape Maintenance	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00
Mailbox / Lamppost	\$3,140.00	\$3,140.00	\$0.00
Mulching	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$0.00
Pest Control - Lawn	\$4,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$3,000.00
Pest Control - Trees & Shrubs	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00	-\$500.00
Residential Maintenance	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Tree & Shrub Trimming	\$7,500.00	\$6,600.00	-\$900.00
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Electrical Service	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$175,141.00</b>	<b>\$163,379.85</b>	<b>-\$11,761.15</b>
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>\$23,998.00</b>	<b>\$28,704.15</b>	<b>\$4,706.15</b>
<b>Total Expenses &amp; Reserves</b>	<b>\$199,139.00</b>	<b>\$192,084.00</b>	<b>-\$7,055.00</b>
<b>2020 Annual Assessment</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	
Single Family Residences / Lots	\$302.00	\$309.00	
Condominiums	\$271.50	\$278.00	
Reserves for Capital Expenditures / Deferred Maintenance 2020			

Reserves for Capital Expenditures / Deferred Maintenance 2020							
Asset	Estimated Life (Yrs.)	Year Installed	Estimated Remaining Life (Yrs.)	Replacement Cost	Balance as of 10/31/2019	Remaining Funding Requirement	2020 Annual Funding Requirement
Tree Replacement (175)	40	1995	15	\$70,000.00	\$19,640.32	\$50,359.68	\$3,357.31
Mailbox & Lamp Post Replacement	35	1995	10	\$6,000.00	\$2,016.72	\$3,983.28	\$398.33
Storm Drainage Replacement	40	1985	5	\$150,000.00	\$44,684.07	\$105,315.93	\$21,063.19
Entry Monument Signs (2)	35	1995	10	\$25,000.00	\$9,220.47	\$15,779.53	\$1,577.95
Custom Street Signs	30	2010	20	\$25,000.00	\$4,393.62	\$20,606.38	\$1,030.32
Deferred Maintenance	10	2014	4	\$10,000.00	\$4,891.80	\$5,108.20	\$1,277.05
TOTAL				\$286,000.00	\$84,847.00	\$201,153.00	\$28,704.15

### President’s Monthly Report: John Spiegel

Condos v. ERPOA litigation: The Second District Court of Appeal entered a final ruling in favor of ERPOA, upholding the trial court decision that the lawsuit filed by the condos was filed long after the expiration of the statute of limitations and is time barred. The lawsuit sought to invalidate a 1988 amendment to the ERPOA Articles of Incorporation. Any challenge to that amendment had to be filed within 5 years of filing with the Florida Secretary of State, or in 1993. The lawsuit was filed in 2015, approximately 28 years too late. This case has been pending for four years. The substantial claim for attorney fees filed by ERPOA will be determined in more litigation or settled among the parties.

### Vice President’s Report: Christine Leslie

No Report

### Director’s Report: Hewitt McCloskey, Jr.

Continuing overview of landscape maintenance

### Committee Reports

#### Arbitration Board Committee: Steve Norris

No Activity

#### Architectural Control Committee: Rick Jermyn

Three projects, all approved, 1 house painting, 1 roof replacement, 1 new driveway.

#### Deed of Restriction Committee: Kathy Furlong

The DOR committee had an inspection on Oct. 22 and has asked a number of homeowners to clean roofs, driveways, walkways, walls, yards, etc. We hope to avoid having to recommend fines but will do so if necessary.

#### Golf Liaison Committee: Steve Norris

No report

#### Security and Safety Committee: Connie Hope

This past month was very quiet, only one incident in our community, involving an animal, on Aeries Way Drive, handled by a deputy.

We are approaching the busy holiday season with many of our seasonal residents returning for the winter. There will be more traffic in Eagle Ridge. Please drive slowly, look out for school students going to or from bus stops, and be sure to keep your parked cars locked and your garage doors closed. Once again, the sheriff’s moto is “Lock it or Lose it!”

#### Social Committee: Sherri Holly

The annual holiday party will be held at the golf course club house on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. R.S.V.P. to Sherri at sherriholly@comcast.net or sherriholly@gmail.com or as a last resort text her at (239) 770-3099. Don’t wait to secure a spot, space is limited. Food is complimentary. There will be a cash bar for adult beverages. Wear something festive!

#### Resident’s Comments (limited to three minutes) Please give your full name.

**Dade Deleacaes:** 14800 Eagles Lookout Ct. On Oct. 24 I received a Deed of Restriction notice of illegal signs on golf course. I am looking for guidance. The golf carts drive on my lawn and damage it. The golfers have also stolen plants from my property. I did that to keep them off of my property.

**John Spiegel:** Have you contacted the golf course?

**Dade Deleacaes:** I have spoken with them. There is nothing they can do about it. I could report the cart number

**John Spiegel:** We will discuss this subject with you further after the meeting.

**Luther Ward:** There is a right-of-way on private property on the golf course.

**Bill Beckerink:** Thank you for the new drainage pipe that was put in at the Eagle Ridge Condos.

**Peggy Watt:** There was a new driveway put in at a home and there was no drain put in. Is that legal?

**John Spiegel:** The drainage requirements are done through Lee County not the HOA.

**Tony Fennell:** They dug up some lawn on my property some time ago. Are they going to replace the grass?

**John Spiegel:** I’ll get you a name and phone number. They usually come back to sod the area, I don’t know what is the reason for the delay.

**Rick Jermyn:** I’d like to volunteer for working on the Christmas decorations this year. Last year we didn’t have any.

**John Spiegel:** Thank you so much.

**Luther Ward:** Why are there still so much in attorney’s fees?

**John Spiegel:** We are still working on the case with the Condos and there still could be additional attorney’s fees needed.

**Bill Beckerink:** What are the proposed 2020 assessments?

**Peggy Jermyn:** The proposed amounts are single family residences \$302 and the condominiums are \$271.50.

**Peggy Watt:** On the Budget why is the annual dues in the minus -\$4,405.00?

**Peggy Jermyn:** They are in the minus because we are paying less for the annual dues this year than in 2019.

**Luther Ward:** In the continency fund we are holding \$10,000. Doesn’t it build up if we don’t spend it.

**John Spiegel:** Money not spent rolls over. The annual continency fund is \$10,000. It is used for things that are not planned for or anticipated.

A request for a motion for Adjournment:

1. First Motion for Adjournment: Kathy Furlong
2. Second Motion for Adjournment: Peggy Jermyn
3. All voted in favor for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

## 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.



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