



Eagle Ridge
A Golf Club Community
“THROUGH THE EYE OF THE EAGLE”
Another Seabreeze Publication

Who’s New In The Neighborhood?

By Ed Schuler

This month’s new neighbors are a pair of Hoosier natives who formerly lived very near the Indiana University campus in Bloomington.

Philip and Kimberly Sutton recently moved into their home on the end of Majestic Eagle Court. They are nearing their 28th wedding anniversary and are now enjoying the good life in Southwest Florida.

Kim works in human resources for Gannett Company Inc., printer of *USA Today*, and they also publish in many United States cities including Fort Myers with *The News-Press*. Phil manages a number of rental places in the north and travels there frequently.

Kim enjoys her exercise runs around Eagle Ridge and Phil likes to do woodworking. He built a set of tables and chairs they use on the lanai and eventually plans to do some



Kimberly and Philip Sutton

Florida fresh and saltwater fishing after having some time to settle in.

Both Phil and Kim are rabid Indiana University sports fans and are planning to watch as many football, basketball and volleyball games as they can from down here. If there are other I.U. fans in Eagle Ridge, introduce yourself to the Suttons. You will know their house by the Indiana flag they are ready to fly from the post lamp.

When asked why they choose Eagle Ridge, the Suttons said the first thing that caught their attention was the row of post lamps in front of every home, the larger sized lots and the attractiveness of the golf course.

Please join us in welcoming Phil and Kim to Eagle Ridge.

Be Aware ... School Buses Are Back Among Us

And The Speed Limit In Eagle Ridge Is Still A Robust 25 MPH

The speed limit in Eagle Ridge is 25 miles per hour, unless posted otherwise.

Those signs posted around the neighborhood that say “25” are not simply suggestions. After all, we are a neighborhood of walkers, runners, bicyclists, children and pets on leashes – on the roadways since we have no sidewalks. It’s not fun to have cars speed past us as we get out and enjoy our neighborhood.

And now that school is open and school buses and their flashing lights are a fact of life on our roadways, it is more important than ever to be cognizant of our speeds and the buses that carry our children.

When buses are stopped, with lights flashing and signs deployed,

for loading and unloading, please be patient and wait for the bus to resume its rounds. And please be aware of children crossing the road.

Already, there are reports of cars passing stopped school buses in our neighborhood as well as bicyclists ignoring school bus warning lights as well. Cyclists are not exempt



School is open and buses are a common site in Eagle Ridge in the mornings and afternoons.

from school bus roadway safety statutes.

Speed long has been a simmering issue in Eagle Ridge, especially with service providers and along long straightaways for everyone.

It is incumbent for all of our residents to take speed seriously, to practice good habits and to remind our service providers – such as Waste Pro, landscapers, pool maintenance folks, UPS and FedEx, other technicians who visit us and even school bus drivers – that the speed limit in Eagle Ridge is 25 ... and that we are serious about it.

Here’s hoping everyone does their part and we can continue to keep our streets safe.



Time To Address Stained Driveways And Roofs

As a reminder, the Deed Of Restrictions Committee makes monthly rounds to assure that the Deed of Restrictions are being followed.

However, during the rainy summer months, the committee tends not to cite stained driveways and roofs.

In October, however, committee members plan to resume issuing notices, based on what they observe on their monthly rounds. The committee sent an email in early September to give residents advanced notice so that driveway and roof problems can be addressed before the October review.

Most times, driveways can be brought back by power washing, but sometimes driveway paint is the best solution. Painted driveways are often less susceptible to the black mildew type stain.

Several homeowners have reported good luck with a

product called Wet and Forget, which is usually available in places like Ace Hardware and Home Depot. It is best applied with a garden sprayer after power washing. It takes a while to work but seems to prevent re-staining for a longer period of time.

Stained roofs are not a good job for most homeowners and should be left to licensed contractors. They can also be cleaned by power washing, but the presently preferred method is chemical cleaning. Many contractors offer a discount when doing both roof and driveway.

More detailed information on how to address these issues can be found on the Eagle Ridge website www.EagleRidge33912.com under the **Resources** tab.

The Deed of Restrictions Committee



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



Children’s Advocacy Center

Ten And A Toy Fundraiser

CAC has been very fortunate to have local company Savage 4x4 Inc. hold three very successful toy drives for us. Thanks to Jim and Linda Thompson of Savage 4x4 and all their business associates and friends, last year we were able to provide a wonderful holiday to over 100 families in need.

This year Savage is upping their efforts on our behalf in a big way, by raising money for the agency in addition to toys. Welcome to the inaugural Ten and a Toy! Join us on Nov. 19 from 2 to 8 p.m. at Six Bends Harley-Davidson, 9501 Thunder Road, Fort Myers. The event will feature judged truck and bike shows, a truck tug-of-war (a must see!), live entertainment, the Hooters Calendar Girls, food and beer trucks plus much more.

Fraud Alert

Scammers Impersonating LCSO, Again!

From the Office of Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott

Scammers are once again using the name and phone number of the Lee County Sheriff’s Office (LCSO) in order to steal cash from residents in what is known as “caller ID spoofing.”

Over the past several days, callers to the fraud line have reported receiving suspicious calls from someone claiming to be a “sheriff’s office employee” demanding they pay up or face arrest for an outstanding bench warrant.

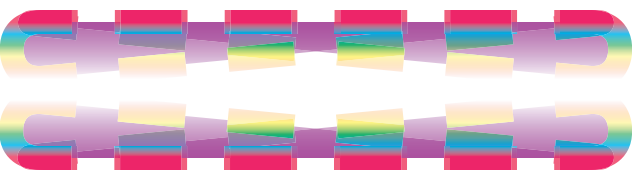
Would-be victims say their caller ID shows the sheriff’s office name and number, but they quickly realize the call is fraudulent when the imposter instructs them to purchase reloadable gift cards in the amount of \$500. According to the scammer, all monies will be returned once the “victim” shows up for a scheduled court date at the Lee County Court House.

“This scam is being used to trick the residents of Lee County into believing a lie by using fear and intimidation tactics,” said Sheriff Mike Scott.

“The Lee County Sheriff’s Office will never call you asking for money or threatening arrest if you don’t pay up,” he said. “It’s also important to realize you can no longer rely on the caller ID system when determining whether a call is legitimate or not.”

Residents should always be cautious when it comes to purchasing prepaid cards at the request of a stranger. Scammers love these cards because they are difficult to trace, no photo identification is needed to collect or spend the money, and you can move cash immediately off the card using the card’s account number and PIN.

If you have received one of these calls and would like to report it, please contact the Sheriff’s Office Fraud Line at 258-3292. If you are a victim and have lost cash in this scam, please call the Sheriff’s Office Main Line at 477-1000.





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Tickets must be purchased in advance by going to eventbrite.com. Simply search for Savage 4x4 and the event will pop up first in the list.

Vendor space and sponsorship opportunities (with signage) are available. This is a great way to promote your business to thousands of attendees, while contributing to CAC’s efforts to treat victims of child abuse. For details and a sponsor/vendor packet, call Savage 4x4 at (239) 689-1428.



Christmas Is Coming!

Believe it or not, Christmas will be here before you know it. Which means it’s time to play Santa for those clients of ours who are most in need of help around the holidays. Please consider participating in our **Adopt A Family** or **Angel Tree**

programs...both are guaranteed to bring out the joy of the season within you.

Every year our staff identifies those families most in need of help during the holidays. Once again we are asking for gifts (unwrapped) for these children, or a cash donation which we will use to purchase gifts. In many instances, we can provide you with a wish list from the family (which might include something for the child to give to the parent too) to use as a guide. In general, any new gift for a boy or girl will be much appreciated. For teens, gift cards work great.

If you are a business and would like to do an Angel Tree instead, we will provide you with red and green paper angels to hang on your tree, with the gender and age of the child to buy for. No need to wrap the gift, super easy. We’ll even come and pick up the items when you’re ready!

This is a wonderful way to spread the joy of the season. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lisa Rizzio, CAC development director, at (239) 939-2808 or lrizzio@cac-swfl.org.

Raaga – Dance Concert

Kathak: Journey The Ages

Tickets are now on sale for Kathak: Journey The Ages Nov. 5 – 7:30 p.m.

An Illustrious Event Celebrating Indian Arts And Music

Raaga Inc., a Southwest Florida-based Indian arts and cultural organization, is pleased to present a Kathak Dance performance at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5, at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, 13350 FSW Parkway, Fort Myers. Tickets start at \$25 and are available online at bbmannyah.com.

Katha Dance Theatre is Minnesota’s first Asian Indian dance company, with a roster of excellent dancers and an unparalleled repertory.

Kathak Through The Ages – A Journey Of The Dance Of Kathak

This dance form traces its origins to the nomadic bards of ancient northern India, known as Kathakars or storytellers to temple and ritual dances, and the influence of the bhakti movement. Dancers were enticed from the temples to the courts by gifts of gold, jewels and royal favors. Patronage soared as a social class of dancers and courtiers emerged in the royal palaces, where dance competitions were held frequently. The environment of the North Indian Mughal courts – come journey with us to a land where time stood still and music and the sound of ghungurus of 150 ankle bells fill the air!

Rita Mitra Mustaphi – artistic director. Her Kathak Dance Theater is distinguished by its impeccable technique, its capacity to expand the Indian classical Kathak dance



vocabulary and its collaborations across discipline. She has choreographed more than 50 new works that performed locally, nationally and internationally. Her awards include three McKnight Fellowships for choreography, Dancer Fellowships Award from Minnesota State Arts Board and 2012 Education Award from the Ordway Center of Performing Arts in the category of Excellence in Vision.

About Raaga Inc.

Raaga, Inc. is a Florida nonprofit arts and education organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of music, dance and performing art forms from the Indian subcontinent through the medium of concerts, lecture demonstrations, regularly scheduled teaching sessions and e-learning. Learn more at raagafl.org.

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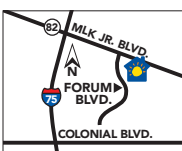
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Local Roots Farmer’s Markets Begins Ninth Season Announces New Days And Times



The weekly farmer’s markets at Lakes Park and Florida SouthWestern State College will occur on a new day of the week for this coming season.

Beginning Oct. 5, the Lakes Park Farmer’s Market will take place each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. until April 26, 2017. Lakes Park is located at 7300 Gladiolus Drive in Fort Myers.

“After seven years of holding this market each Friday, the county requested we move it to Wednesdays and we were happy to be able to fulfill their request,” said Betsy Ventura, who, along with Jean Baer, owns Local Roots LLC and will run the market each week.

With this change, Roots has moved their weekly FSW Farmer’s Market to Fridays beginning Oct. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April 28, 2017.

According to Ventura, this market located at 8099 College Parkway in Fort Myers will also include crafts and food trucks in addition to other green items.

Parking is free during the weekly events at both locations.

“Our vendors are very excited to be returning to these South Fort Myers locations to promote their locally produced products and wares to neighboring communities,” said Baer.

Ventura and Baer also operate the Bonita Springs, Coconut Point, Fenway South and Sanibel Farmer’s Markets as well as two downtown Fort Myers markets – every Thursday in Centennial Park and Saturdays starting in November in Cornog Plaza.

Baer’s son, Tyler, a graduate of the University of Florida



Betsy Ventura and Jean Baer

and Ventura’s daughter, Sims, will be joining the duo this season to assist in managing the markets.

“It is so great that our business has grown enough to bring our kids in,” Ventura said. “So many of our vendors work as a family in their small businesses, too.”

She added that the goal of each of their markets is to strengthen the surrounding community by showcasing

vendors that are selling produce and artisan products that are grown or produced locally. Products are packaged by owners in an environmentally friendly way and the locations of markets are clean and safe and reflect a community atmosphere.

“Shopping at our markets will reduce the carbon footprint of consumerism,” she said. “There is always a well-balanced offering at each market that has something for everyone.”

Anyone interested in becoming a vendor or providing live entertainment may visit the website at www.BuyLocalLee.com.

Partners For Breast Cancer Care Seeks Help Break Guinness Record For Largest Human Pink Ribbon Oct. 29 At Jet Blue Park

To support underserved Lee County residents with breast cancer, Partners for Breast Cancer Care in Fort Myers is seeking Southwest Florida residents to join them in breaking the Guinness World Record for the largest human pink ribbon in the United States. The event is taking place rain or shine Saturday, Oct. 29, at Jet Blue Park at 11500 Fenway South Drive in Fort Myers from 9 to 11 a.m.

For a \$20 donation, attendees will receive a pink umbrella and will become a vital part of the pink ribbon formation. For those who have an umbrella from last year’s event, the donation will be \$10.

Through this event, Partners for Breast Cancer Care, a community funded nonprofit organization, helps Lee County residents with low income and no health insurance get breast screening and diagnostic testing including mammograms, ultrasound, biopsy, surgery and treatment. The program is funded by grants and donations from Southwest Florida residents.

This is the second year of the fundraiser. “We had a great time last year. There were over 650 people standing under pink umbrellas. It was an amazing sight and will be even more fantastic this year,” said Janet Darnell, executive director of Partners for Breast Cancer Care.

“The proceeds will be welcomed by many Lee County women and men who are overwhelmed with financial and family challenges that would otherwise not have the means to pay for this treatment,” Darnell said.

The Pink Ribbon event will also include other fun-filled activities.

To register for the second annual Human Pink Ribbon event visit www.pfbcc.org or call Partners for Breast Cancer Care Executive Director Janet Darnell at (239) 454-8583.



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

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

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Make Plans To Join Ladies On The Links

The Eagle Ridge Wednesday Morning Ladies’ League is gearing up for another fun and competitive season.

The league will be led again this season by Fran Danek and Phyllis Wayco, who are extending a “welcome back” to returning players and a “welcome to the group” to any ladies playing for the first



Phyllis Wayco and Fran Danek will lead Ladies on the Links this season.

time. All are encouraged to join in on the fun. League play will begin on Nov. 2 with a quick meeting in the clubhouse at 8 a.m. Play begins at 8:30 a.m. with assigned tee times. Be sure to sign up in the ladies’ locker room in advance by Sunday afternoon before each league date. The fee for the league is \$20 for the season to be paid on the first day you play. Check the posting in the locker room for additional information regarding weekly games. All handicaps are invited to join our league, and you can be a part of the action whether you can play part of the time or the whole season from November through the end of March. Feel free to call Fran at (989) 684-0156 if you have any questions or concerns. See you on the course in November!

Battle Of The Sexes XIX Set For November 13

By Gary Melillo

The Chuck Siegfried Memorial Battle of the Sexes XIX will be held Nov. 13 at 9 a.m. at Eagle Ridge Golf Course. This golf outing is open to the public. Anyone wishing to play can call the Eagle Ridge Clubhouse at (239) 768-1888 to put their name on the list and register their handicaps. The men have won 10 times and the women have won eight times, including last year.

Then there is the Crombie Award, which is presented to the golfer with the fewest number of putts in the Battle of the Sexes. There is a very special prize for that portion of the event. After the event, approximately 3 p.m., participants will gather at the Olive Garden for dinner and prizes. Remember, you don’t have to be a member to play in the event. Sign up now, November is just around the corner! See you there.

Eagle Ridge Bulletin Board

If you have an announcement, we will include it in this column. Email: Newsletter@EagleRidge33912.com with your request.

Fort Myers Republican Women’s Club

Referendums on November General Election Ballot will be the focus of the monthly luncheon of the Fort Myers Republican Women’s Club. The October luncheon and program will be held Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m., followed by a noon lunch, a business meeting and the program. Are you familiar with the referendums that will appear on the November general election ballot? These statewide issues will be discussed by political consultant, **Joseph Mazurkiewicz**, who will present both pros and cons of each referendum item. Questions from the audience will be taken. The public is invited to attend the luncheon. The cost is \$18. Reservations are required by Oct. 13, 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

Marion E. Osborne, MSOL, MBA, MPA, will be the guest speaker at the Greeters’ Club of Greater Fort Myers Oct. 20 luncheon at 10:45 a.m. at the Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way. In her capacity as human resources generalist and member of the Lee County Human Resources Benefits Unit, Osborne is conducting training for all Lee County employees and the citizens of Lee County by presenting the Lee G.R.O.W.S. program on a weekly basis.

Whether you are a full-time resident or a snowbird, we have all seen the changes and growth Lee County has experienced in the past few years. Please join us and learn more about the exciting workforce initiatives of Lee G.R.O.W.S. and to explore the many exciting activities the Greeters’ Club is involved in. Make a luncheon reservation today and find out more about joining this dynamic group of Lee County women. The cost is \$20. Email: greetersclub@gmail.com Provide your contact information (your name, email address and phone number). You will receive a call confirming your reservation as well as an email confirmation. Luncheons are held on the third Thursday of the month. Learn more at greetersclubofgreaterfortmyers.com.

Continental Women’s Club Of Fort Myers

Barbara Dell, CEO and **Marlene Clark**, community outreach director, for Dress for Success will be guest speakers at the Continental Women’s Club of Greater Fort Myers Thursday, Oct. 6, luncheon meeting. The mission of Dress for Success is to empower women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. It is an international, nonprofit organization, but every penny raised in Lee and Collier counties stays in Lee and Collier counties. We are asking Continental members to bring gently-used handbags and jewelry to donate to Dress for Success to the October luncheon, **no clothing please**, just handbags and jewelry. The club’s monthly meetings are held on the first Thursday each month at 11:30 a.m. at Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way in Fort Myers. The cost is \$19.

Please call (239) 672-8683 to make a reservation for the luncheon. For more information on club membership, please call (239) 561-8973.

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 Euchre!

A group has been organized in Eagle Ridge for friendly games of euchre. Play in this group will take place every second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. to around 4 p.m. We will play at each other’s homes on a rotating basis. If you do not yet know how to play this enjoyable card game, an easy lesson can be arranged. If you are interested in joining this card group either as a regular player or as a substitute, call **Retta Kaster** at 362-0577.

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 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>.

Evening Walking Group

Looking for someone or to join a group to walk with in the evenings, perhaps three times per week? Please contact **Jenni Caves** at (239) 336-4282 or jcaves01@hotmail.com.

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.

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If you are not receiving your *Eye of The Eagle* newspaper, please contact **Peggy Watts** or **Connie Hope**. 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](http://www.EagleRidge33912.com).

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Are you looking for an odd job? Want to be included in the Eagle Ridge Job Spot? Email your information to Newsletter@EagleRidge33912.com. Baby-sitters, pet sitters, yard work and more.

- **JJ Claypool, (239) 810-4724.** Dependable, trustworthy,
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- pleased with my work ethic. I am headed off to college
- soon and would love the opportunity to work for money.
- Thank you.

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● **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.

Adele Howard, (239) 233-9338. Babysitter. I am in the 10th grade and worked as a camp counselor. Please call me when you need a babysitter.

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● **Patty Fajardo, (239) 208-9956.** Are you looking for
 ● some help? I am a permanent resident at Eagle Ridge and
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 ● errands, yard work, planting, pulling weeds, grocery
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October: National Chili Month; Here's An Easy And Fun Recipe

What do we know that October is known for? October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

It is also National Cookbook month. Now that is up my alley. I have written two cookbooks, *In addition ... to the Entrée* and *Soups and Stews ... Comfort by the Spoonful*.

What else is October known for? Spinach Lovers Month, and Class Reunion Month.

It is also Apple Month, Country Music Month and National Chili Month.

I think I'll go with the chili recipe. I hope you have fun and enjoy it.

Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons oil
- 2 medium onions, diced
- 1 medium red bell pepper, diced
- 5 to 6 cloves of garlic, minced
- ¼ cup chili powder (or use package of chili powder)
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2 pounds ground beef (or ground turkey)
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 (28-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 (14-ounce) can tomato sauce
- 2 (15-ounce each) cans kidney beans, drained and rinsed*
- ¼ cup chopped jalapenos or green chilies, drained**
- Shredded cheese, sour cream and scallions for garnishing

Put oil in a large soup pot and add ground beef, spices and vegetables, simmer, for 10 to 15 minutes, skim fat if any. Add tomatoes and beans. Simmer one hour. Serves five to six.

*You can also use 1 can of navy beans or cannelloni beans or even chickpeas as a variety.

** If you don't like chili too hot, don't include the jalapenos.



*National Chili Month: Basic chili,
easy and fun*

By Connie Hope

There have been several incidents in our community and in nearby communities in recent weeks. I just wanted to bring you up to date on these things.

Several weeks ago, we had vandalism to one of the cars that was parked at the Eagle Ridge condos. Someone smashed out the rear window of a car. We had the sheriff's office here and they checked for fingerprints, but found nothing.

If you think you see something or someone that is looking in windows or trying doors to cars and to condos, please, let the sheriff's office know. Call 911.

Then the last week of August on the same day about 45 minutes apart there were three burglaries in nearby communities.

- 13500 American Colony Blvd., at 4:05 p.m., a burglary.
- 13900 Eagle Ridge Lakes at 4:45 p.m., a burglary.
- 7700 block of Cameron Circle at 6 p.m., a burglary.

You are the eyes of the community. If you see anything that is out of the ordinary and questionable, call 911 immediately. We always need your help.

The sheriff's office cars have been in our community the last few weeks many times. They are checking things out and looking for speeders and just letting their presence be known.





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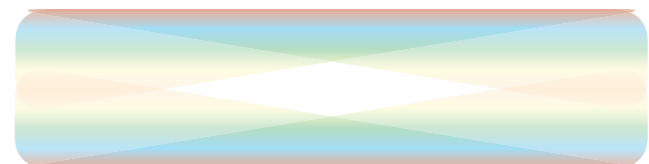
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Safety And Security Tips

Time To ‘Button Up’ Around Your Home

From the Office of Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott

As summer comes to an end and we move into fall, many people start thinking about bringing out the jackets and enjoying the cooler weather. This is a good time to “button up” other parts of your life.

Button up your house. In the fall, you might open the

PACE Center For Girls’ Boo Ball

PACE Center for Girls of Lee County will present its inaugural Boo Ball fundraising gala at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in downtown Fort Myers. Proceeds from the spooktacular soiree will support the PACE Center’s mission to provide girls and young women an opportunity for a better future through education, counseling, training and advocacy.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 22 – 6:30 to 10 p.m.
Venue: Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center
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Email: sara.jordan@pacecenter.org
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doors and windows to enjoy the cool breeze. Burglars are also looking for those cracked and open windows as an opportunity to come in and steal your property. Remember when you are away from the house and at night to button up your house. Lock all doors. Close windows and window coverings. Close and lock garage doors both interior and outer. Put secondary locks on all windows and sliders. Set the alarm.

Button up your vehicles. In your driveway, garage or away from your house, remember to lock the vehicle doors and close the windows. Put belongings out of sight in your trunk or leave at home. Also, do not keep your vehicle keys hanging by the garage. This gives the burglar access to your vehicle.

Button up your wallet/purse. When going out keep them within your control. Remember not to carry unnecessary

personal information around with you like cards with your Social Security number on it.

Button up your social media. Don’t tell everyone that you are away from your house or where you will be during the day. Don’t advertise your possessions and personal information. Burglars are reading your status too.

Button up your lips. Just because someone asks whether by phone, email, in a letter, or on social media does not mean you have to give them your Social Security number, date of birth, address, phone number or any other personal information unless it is necessary.

The Sheriff’s Department Crime Prevention Unit offers talks on a variety of topics including: burglary prevention, scams, frauds and ID theft prevention and personal safety. Call (239) 258-3280 to schedule a presentation for your group by one of our crime prevention specialists.

Tips From South Trail Fire And Rescue

By Christie Knudsen,
Public Education Specialist

“Don’t Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years” is the theme of the 2016 National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9 through 15. Each year the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) selects a theme for fire prevention week based on survey and fire incident data. Because working smoke alarms are so important and so successful at saving lives, the NFPA has chosen smoke alarm education as the theme for the past three years. This year’s theme builds on the 2014 theme, Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives, Test Yours Every Month and on the 2015 theme, Hear The Beep Where You Sleep: Every Bedroom Needs A Working Smoke Alarm.

The NFPA reports that three out of every five home fire deaths occur in homes with no smoke alarms (38 percent) or with no working smoke alarms (21 percent). Replacing smoke alarms in your home that are older than 10 years, i.e., installed prior to October 2006, will help ensure that your smoke alarms continue to work to provide the early warning needed to give you and your family enough time to escape a fire. Regardless of type, battery-operated or hard-wired, all smoke alarms over 10 years old should be replaced. To determine the age of a smoke alarm, check the manufacture date on the back of the alarm.

As with all electronic items, as the components age, smoke alarms will eventually fail. After 10 years, the accumulation



of dust, insects, grease, and other contaminants reduces the effectiveness of smoke alarms. Pushing the smoke alarm test button and hearing the beep ensures that the smoke alarm is powered, not that the smoke sensors are working as intended – both are essential.

An updated smoke alarm is a definite bonus for replacing smoke alarms every 10 years. Think about the last time that you replaced your computer/smartphone or your television and of all the new features you obtained. Smoke alarms, hard-wired and battery-powered, are now available with 10-year lithium batteries that last for the life of the alarm, meaning that your smoke alarm always has power and that you no longer have to climb a ladder to change chirping batteries.

As you replace your 10-year-old smoke alarms, upgrade the smoke alarm system in your home, as much as possible, to meet the fire codes for new one- and two- family homes. Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home. Smoke alarms should be interconnected so that when one alarm sounds, they all sound. Hard-wired smoke alarms are usually already interconnected, and wireless interconnected battery-operated smoke alarms are also available.

For more information, call 936-5281. Free battery-powered smoke alarms and 9-volt batteries are available for South Trail Fire District residents while supplies last. The monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the South Trail Fire and Rescue District will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 17 at Station 63, 5531 Halifax Avenue. The public is invited.

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clubhouse will be on the left). \$30 donation includes an all-inclusive fashion show and lunch, Chinese auction items you can bid on and vendors for your shopping pleasure before and after the fashion show. To purchase tickets, you can visit our website at www.MEOWmatters.org, our Facebook page or pay by check, (payable to MEOW), 5781 Lee Blvd., Ste. 208, PMB 429, Lehigh Acres, FL 33971. No tickets will be sold at the door. For any further information please call Kimberly at (321) 501-3696. MEOW was founded in 2015 and is a refreshing new

501(c)(3) nonprofit in the community that brings women together from all walks of life to share in personal stories and ambitions for growth, both personally and professionally. MEOW provides a safe, supportive and nonjudgmental environment in which women can meet and feel empowered throughout their journey; that they are not alone when dealing with obstacles of life! To show these women that with the right mindset, a plan of action and awesome support, you can get through any obstacle! We are not therapists or counselors, we are just real women coming together to help each other in the journey of surviving.

Catch The Action

Good Fishing Ahead

By Captain Bill Russel

This is a refreshing time for anglers around Southwest Florida. After a long hot summer we will finally see some relief with cooler days and drop in humidity. This combination should set off good fishing opportunities as fish will be active, hungry, and on the move.

October is the month large schools of big redfish devour anything in their path across our inshore waters. Fishing will peak for the big bull reds this month as they begin their migration offshore once the first real cold fronts begin to drop down from the north. Exactly when that will be only time will tell, if the weather remains mild the big fish can entertain us throughout the entire month.

Snook of all sizes will be on the move as they transition from their summer homes around the Gulf beaches and make way towards their winter haunts throughout the inshore waters. Snook are in season, with the size slot (28 to 33 inches) that only leaves 5 inches to work with. While you may catch a lot of snook, catching one of keeper size may be another story. Snook of any size are a blast to catch and if luck is on your side you may just catch one in that legal slot if a fresh snook dinner is on your mind. If you do plan on keeping a snook, make sure you purchase a snook stamp with your fishing license.

Gag grouper is another fish that is on the move as they begin to make their way inshore as the water cools. Catching gag grouper over a shallow water inshore wreck or reef is some of the most challenging fishing you will find. They



hit like a freight train and run straight to the safety of the structure. Unlike offshore, where you fish them vertical or from straight above, inshore you are away from the structure and make a long cast, just like snook fishing. They have the advantage, you break off more big ones than you land, but it's exciting, and if you get a big one to the boat, season is open.

October is a month you can either target certain species of fish or be less specific and just get in the mix of a feeding frenzy and see what's there. Often a host of different species are ganged up on the same bait pod; it's common to catch a half dozen or more different species from one area. Large schools of bait are moving down the coast all month; look for bait pods both inshore and off, watch for birds. Don't be surprised if there are some larger fish lurking, it could pay to keep a heavy rod rigged and ready for that cobia, tarpon,

shark, or whatever else might make a presence. In my opinion, October is one of the best months of the year to fish our waters. We should have plenty of days with great comfortable weather, lots of hungry fish, plus the winter crowds have not yet returned, so there's not a lot of fishing competition. That makes for a great combination. "Catch the Action" with Capt. Bill Russell. Phone: (239) 283-7960, website: www.fishpineisland.com, email: 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 19 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."

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Eagles Lookout Court Lake Park trees are prepared to show their colors in October/November.



An early September “paradise” sunset seen from Eagle Ridge during a sunset bike ride



A bird of paradise sunbathes next to the Eagles Lookout Court Park lake.

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The Board of Directors

August 26, 2013

Eagle Ridge Property Owners Association

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Dear Eagle Ridge Homeowner:

Notice of Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

There will be a closed meeting of the Board Of Directors of the Eagle Ridge Property Owners Association on July 30th 2013 with legal counsel to discuss certain attorney-client privileged matters.

Sincerely,

Bonita Springs Lions Club Sets Charity Golf Event For October 29

The Lion’s Club of Bonita Springs will hold its third annual pride of Bonita Charity Golf Tournament at Worthington Golf & Country Club in Bonita Springs on Saturday, Oct. 29.

The Worthington course is a PGA regulation 18-hole, par-72 golf course, redesigned by Chip Powell.

Details Include:

- Registration at 7:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8:15 a.m.
- Four-person scramble; putting challenge, longest drive and hole-in-one challenge with fabulous prizes.
- Cost is \$100 per golfer, which includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, continental breakfast and awards luncheon.
- The awards luncheon will be held in the clubhouse immediately following golf.

• 50/50 raffle and silent auction will be part of the awards luncheon.

The Bonita Springs Lions Club was founded in 1962 and has served the citizens of Lee and Collier counties with pride and distinction in the decades since.

Like Lions Clubs the world over, our causes include the eradication of preventable blindness, providing free vision and hearing exams, providing glasses and hearing aids to those in need and educational scholarships. In addition, the club provides assistance to the disabled, underprivileged, the elderly and youth.

For additional information on registration or sponsorships, call (239) 992-4011 or visit: www.bonitalions.org.

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 Steve Norris (239) 362-2179, 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

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