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“Tis the Sea-Sun to be Jolly!”

Letter from the Editor



Hello fellow Orange Harbor residents! My name is Jennifer Krogulski at 78 Sun Circle, and I am your newsletter editor. If you have anything you would like to see added to the newsletter, please reach out to me at ohnewsletter@aol.com.

Newsletters will not be delivered. Copies are available in the clubhouse and RV washrooms.

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Community News!

Editor Note: I want to thank all the volunteers who came to the clubhouse to assemble the garden beds for the community garden. I was so touched by their acts of kindness and support. The community garden is up and running and the beds are full. The memorial garden is in the works at this moment. The boat club has graciously donated \$400 to purchase the memorial bench and the First Mates have donated \$250 to purchase the butterfly and fragrance plants. Memorial plaques will be available to purchase. More details to follow. The butterfly plants will be completed by January.

Amanda Harling is no longer employed by Newby Management and will be replaced.

Welcome to our new CAM Kelley Herrera. Be sure to stop in the office to meet her.

Pickleball Court has begun! Thank you, Henry Jones, for your persistence in getting this project off the ground. Front entrance also getting a new facelift. Please be patient throughout the construction phase.

There is a new way to get in touch with the office and that is to fill out a "Request for Attention Form" located in the office. You must sign your name for it to be valid.

Community Day Update: The vendors were very happy with the turnout today and extended their thanks to our community. Sue Pierson won a cooler from the Stylecrest drawing. We only drew a few from outside the community...we just got to keep promoting OH! Thank you to everyone who helped set up and tear down, to everyone who worked tirelessly during the event and everyone who participated.

Thought for the Day

*Kindness is not an act,
It's a reflection of your soul.*



Hello Orange Harbor,

Well, the season is getting closer and the park is slowly filling up. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are now preparing for a nice Christmas & holiday season.

There have been many changes since the spring & summer months. I think the park is really looking great. The new raised garden area is complete, and the "Memory Garden" is being completed. Jennifer Krogulski and a large amount of volunteers have really done a great job on this project! The roads have been resealed, the parking bumpers and lines have all been freshly painted. Many empty lots have been leveled nicely and seeded. The pickleball courts are well underway and are projected to be open by January 1st. Henry Jones has done a great job making this happen smoothly.

The front entrance project will be starting, and we need people to be very patient and careful when entering and leaving the park. The gates will be gone during this project and the roads will be torn up. With this being our only access in and out of the park makes this a challenging project, so we need everyone's cooperation.

The Board of Directors, Newby Management, Social Club, Maintenance Department and many great volunteers have all worked hard together during the off season to help prepare for what is going to be a great Orange Harbor fun filled season!!

For all of you headed down soon, please travel safe, and when you arrive, stop at the office and say hello to your new manager Kelley Herrera.

See everyone soon!

Butch Chambers
Board of Directors President

Let's Get Social!

The next Social Committee meeting will be on Dec 2nd at 4:00pm in the clubhouse. Hope to see you there.

What a great turnout for Halloween! Thanks to Holly and John for heading up the golf cart parade. We had great costumes, prizes and food.

Veterans Day was very well done and well attended once again. Great job to all who participated to make Veteran's Day a day to remember to all that served.

Thank you to all that have signed up to help decorate and then take down OH Christmas decorations. See below for Setup and Take Down Dates:

Volunteers (Setup) 11/30/24 9:am

Volunteers (Take Down)

- **Inside Clubhouse 1/8-1/9 2025**
- **Outside 1/12-18/2025**

If you have an event you want to schedule for Clubhouse, Pavilion or RV Gypsy Haul, please contact myself and Jennifer so we can be on the same page with

newsletter and Google Calendar. Also, if you want something to be put on the Signage Monitors, please reach out to me with what you want to display.

Reminder: Residents need to sign up in Clubhouse for any event that involves food in advance in order to purchase the correct amount.

- Exception is Bingo Night – no sign up required for food purchase.

Calendars and Newsletters will be at Clubhouse. We will not be delivering to each household. We will also put some at the RV Bathhouse.

Thank you,

Denise Miller, OH Social Chair
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Have You Read Your Rules Lately?

This is a reminder that the Rules and Regulations are in effect and being enforced. All Residents and their guests are expected to know and abide by these rules. New Rules and Regulations Update- The new rules and regulations were voted on and adopted by the Board of Directors on May 27, 2022. You can access the Rules and Regulations by going to our website at orangeharbormhc.com, click on the documents tab, click on community rules, and click on the pdf file.

Approved by the Board of Directors on May 27, 2022 The purpose of these Rules and Regulations is to promote the comfort, welfare, and safety of the residents of ORANGE HARBOR MOBILE HOME AND RV RESORT and to improve and maintain the appearance and reputation of the Corporation.

These Rules and Regulations have been established by the Board of Directors of ORANGE HARBOR CO-OP, INC. (hereinafter called the "Co-op"), the owner of the community, and may be changed by them from time to time to achieve this and other purposes. Notice of changes in these Rules and Regulations shall be given to the residents at least 90 days prior to the date of the implementation of the changes.

IV. MANUFACTURED HOME SITES

1. Manufactured home shall be attractively maintained and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations of state, county, or community as from time to time amended. Each manufactured home shall have skirting, a carport, outside storage shed and a concrete driveway. Skirting that has deteriorated to a point where it has fallen off the home must be repaired or replaced. Replacement design is limited to original design or management approved similar design.

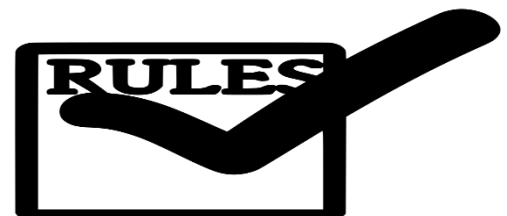
Replacement material is limited to original material or management approved similar material. Homes must be maintained year-round even when residents are gone.

2. The home and lot must be kept free of debris. The carport must be maintained in a neat and orderly condition. Outside storage shed must be maintained. Storage outside of the manufactured home will be permitted only in approved utility room/storage shed attached under carport roof. Any new outside storage shed must be approved by management prior to construction.

3. The use of foil, corrugated cardboard, paper, or sheets to cover window and glass doors are unsightly and are not permitted. Curtains, window shades or mini blinds are permitted.

4. No resident shall have a citizen's band or ham radio antenna placed on their lot, unless approved by management. Residents are allowed to install and maintain antennas used to receive video programming in accordance with Section 207 of the Telecommunication Act of 1996. This Federal Communications Commission rule allows residents to install video antennas including direct-to-home satellite dishes that are less than one meter in diameter, TV antennas and wireless cable antennas. This rule does not apply to citizen's band or ham radio antenna.

5. Before digging on the lot for trees, shrubs, large flowering plants, etc., residents must first have written permission from management to avoid damage to underground facilities and for lawn maintenance considerations. No plants or trees can be planted or removed unless written permission is received from management.





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Swimming Pool

The pool is open from sunrise to sunset. All guests 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult. If you remove the pool rope that is across the pool separating the deep end to the shallow end, **PLEASE PUT IT BACK**. We will be fined if safety protocol is not followed.

Library

The library is full of books, puzzles, and games in the clubhouse. Please return them when you are finished.

Billiards

Be sure to use our new billiards table in the clubhouse. Please respect the rules pertaining to them.

Ice Machine

The ice cube machine is in the clubhouse. Please use the scooper provided, take maximum 3 scoops, and please close the lid.

Bocce Ball

Enjoy our bocce ball courts with all the equipment you need near the court located next to the clubhouse parking lot.

Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard equipment is for everyone's use and can be found in the shed next to the court.

Storage and Boat Slips

There are 41 storage spaces on the premises and 17 Boat slips. All spaces are rented annually and are rented first come, first served. Please contact the office for prices.

Clubhouse

The clubhouse is in the heart of the community. It is where we host a lot of our activities. It is available to rent for special occasions. Please contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719.

Garbage Disposal and Plant Cuttings

There is a dumpster and plant cutting trailer available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please do not put large items in the trash compactor. All large items need to be paid for with the proper sticker from the office. Please place the appropriate items in the correct trailer.

Boat Ramps

We have two boat ramps in the park. One is located near the office and the other is next to gypsy hall near the RV section. Please do not park trucks or trailers where they will be towed when launching your boat.

Horseshoe Pits

There are horseshoe courts near the pavilion and pool. Please replace the equipment when done using.

Fishing Pier & Fish Cleaning Station

There is a fishing pier available to all residents on the NW side of the park. Please obey all fishing regulations and dispose of your used fishing line in the proper waste bin that is available at the pier. There is a fish cleaning station in the RV park that has a cutting surface and running water. Please dispose of your fish carcasses appropriately.

Dog Park

For your convenience there is a fenced in dog park open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for your pets. There are dog waste bags and bins. **PLEASE** clean up after your pet.

Pavilions

There are two pavilions on the premises. One is located near the pool and the other is located in the RV section. They are available for rent for special occasions. Please contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719 to make a reservation.

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Food scraps, butter, margarine, cooking oils, sauces, dairy products, greasy leftovers. Facial tissues, baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, moist wipes, toilet bowl scrub pads, napkins, paper towels, dental floss, eggshells, nutshells, bones and coffee grounds, hair, sanitary napkins, tampons, condoms. Vitamins, medicines, sheet plastic, or plastic of any kind, diapers. **The best recommendation for toilet paper is that it is made from 100% recycled materials.**



We Recycle on Fridays

Please place your handle towards your house and the open side toward the street for proper pickup!

Recycle Smart-5 For the Cart:

Paper-junk mail, newsprint, magazines, copy paper, phone books, etc. **DO NOT** put in used paper towels, tissues, napkins.

Metal cans-aluminum or steel (tin) cans. No need to remove labels or crush cans.

Cardboard-Any kind of box unless it held a liquid (such as those to hold milk, juice, wine, and broth). Pizza box lids can be recycled, the bottoms can be recycled if they do not have any food residue on them.

Plastic Containers-Look for the number 1-7 within the recycle triangles on the bottom of the container (no Styrofoam, no plastic bags) Lids can be either on or off.

Glass-green, brown, and clear bottles and jars.

Literature provided by Lee County Southwest Florida website leegov.com

Trash Removal and Yard Waste Schedule:

Wednesdays - Brush pick-up. Please keep in maximum 3 foot bundles.

Tuesdays & Fridays - Garbage pick-up Please put your garbage out first thing in the morning, so animals won't get into it.



Mosquito Control: It's Up To You

Empty all standing water you have around your house to avoid breeding mosquitoes!

Maintenance Crew News



We start our days with Orange Harbor to be the very best!

1. Dog owners, please pick up and dispose properly of your dog's mess, this includes dog park area.
2. **Yard wastes, trimmings and weeds, etc. are to be cut and bundled in 3ft sections and weeds bagged.**
3. Anything you place in K-mart or we pick-up **MUST** have a sticker. This is to cover the costs of hauling to scrap yard or the added costs of the extra weight in compactor. Stickers are available in the office.
4. If you can't pick it up, we can't pick it up! Put your garbage in a couple of bags instead of stuffing it all in one!
5. We don't do maggots! Please clean out your bins!

Thank you all for complying and making our jobs more efficient.



BULK TRASH

Please see the prices of bulk trash below for dumping

\$25.00 - Mattress, box spring, armoire, sofa, refrigerator, washing machine, dryer, freezer, stove, shower stall,

\$25.00 - TV antennas (Satellite dish type) **ALL LARGE APPLIANCES.**

\$20.00 - Over-sized chairs, dining tables, dish washer, rear projection TV, door, entry size rug.

\$10.00 - Dining chair, barstool, end table, computer, monitor, small flat screen T.V., printer, battery, tire.

\$ 5.00 - Golf cart tires, small items in this size range.

No construction materials, paint, oil or hazardous materials allowed.

Lee County Solid Waste Resource Center

10550 Buckingham Road, Fort Myers, FL 239-533-8000

Contact the office if you have questions regarding a specific item not listed.



Hours of Operation:

Daily 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Any person using the facility should.

report any maintenance issues to management immediately.

Please keep our laundromat neat

and clean and keep the door closed! **If you have an**

issue with a dryer or washer, PLEASE write down what the problem is so the repairman can repair it correctly.

Either let the office know and place a note on that machine. It will save us a service call!

PWC-Personal Watercraft

Like most states, Florida has some interesting boating regulations, one regards the hours of operation for PWC.

The regulation for hours of operation is very straight forward. It says in 327.39 subsection 3, "A person may not operate a personal watercraft at any time between the hours from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise."

The Navigation Rules govern what a vessel operator must do in different situations on the water. The rules have one purpose, to prevent collisions! Under the Navigation Rules all vessels are required to display certain light configurations depending on several factors.

Recreational vessels have four class designations and PWCs, which are normally under 16 feet in length, are considered Class A vessels. What we are faced with are two different regulations that apply to PWCs. In Florida it is OK to operate one-half hour before sunrise and until one-half hour after sunset. The Florida law only regulates the time of operation. The Navigation Rules require a Class A power driven vessel to display navigation lights during a specific situation, one of which is the hours between sunset and sunrise. PWCs don't come with navigation lights installed at the factory. The operator must purchase and install proper navigation lights if they want to operate between sunset and sunrise.

There are Federal rules for required equipment on all vessels including having the vessel registration on board, and the state numbers and decal must be properly displayed. A sound producing device, type B fire extinguisher and visual distress signals are also necessary.

The operator and all passengers must be wearing speed rated life jackets. In addition, the operator must have an engine cutoff switch attached themselves in some fashion.

In Florida no one under the age of 14 may operate a PWC and you must be 18 to rent one. Like all vessel operators born on or after January 1, 1988, you must have a Florida Boating Safety I.D. card.

There are several ways to obtain a Florida Boating Safety I.D. card, www.myfwc.com has a list of state approved providers. Locally you can find in-person classes offered by the United States Coast Guard. Always practice safe boating!

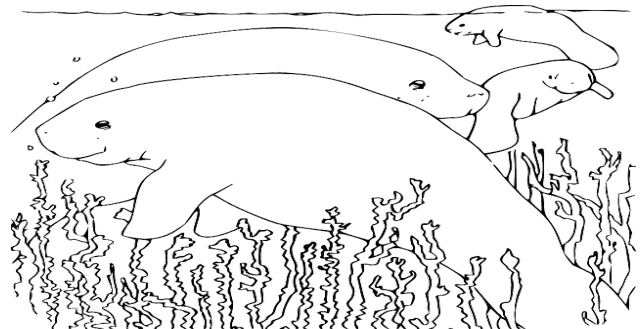


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This organization helps with manatee research, public awareness and education, rescue and rehabilitation, and advocates for stronger protection. Manatees are Florida's official state marine mammal. The IUCN World Conservation Union lists them as vulnerable at the international level. They are listed as threatened at the federal level by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and at the state level by the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). Their listing status is largely due to human activity. Since record-keeping began in 1974, more than 41% of manatee deaths where the cause of death was identified were human-related—and almost 34% were due to watercraft collisions (the largest known cause of manatee deaths). With increased awareness, education, regulations, and enforcement, manatee deaths caused by humans could be substantially reduced, and the eventual recovery of the species could be realized.

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Saturday Coffee

Come join Orange Harbor's "Coffee Hour" at 9 a.m. in the clubhouse every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. This hour event serves as a local hub and gathering for attendees to visit with other park residents, learn about new items of interest, upcoming park events, club activities are announced, and ticket sales are available for functions. Bring your favorite mug or use one of our cups, but please join us. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board. Please don't forget to sign up so the chairperson will know how many to order so we do not run out of donuts! Hosts are needed for ALL SEASON.

Park Sale Donations

Donations to the park sale will be accepted after the Coffee & Donuts social hour. You must sign up at the clubhouse to make your donations, there will be a sign-up sheet with the dates and times. If you have many items to donate you may contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719, please leave your name and address in the message and a Social Committee member will contact you.

Directory



The e-directory is ongoing. We are working together with the OH office and the Welcome Committee to gather information. If you would like to be included in the directory, please contact

Jeannie Jeffery at 317-716-9778 or email jem1931823@gmail.com



Don't miss the **All Park Breakfast** the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m. in the clubhouse.

Orange Harbor Social Committee

The Orange Harbor Social Club Committee meets once a month on the first Monday of the month at 4pm. If you would like to join this amazing group of people, please attend these meetings!

Compliance Policy Reminder

As you are aware, one of the goals of all residents of Orange Harbor is to keep the community looking beautiful. Enforcing the rules plays an important role in that goal. The goal of this policy is NOT to penalize residents or to charge fines. The goal is simply to keep our community attractive and to remind all residents that we all share in this responsibility. If you receive an email or a letter, please do not panic. If you need additional time to address an issue, just reach out to the office Management. Communication is key! We all need to work together to maintain a community atmosphere here at our own little slice of paradise...

OURROC-SWF

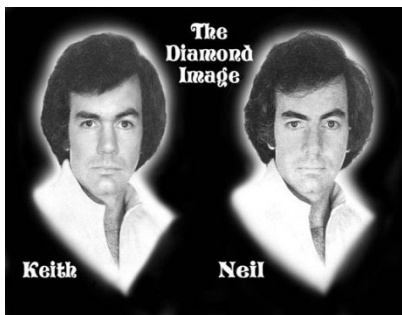
WWW.OURROC-SWF.ORG

OURROC-SWF continues a long tradition of maintaining an organization for the benefit of our member communities in SWFL. We offer information and support to our resident owned communities. At the present time, we represent 23 communities with over 6000 residents.

The focus of OURROC-SWF continues to be on meeting the needs of our members through presentations of interest and importance to owners of homes. Our membership consists of both resident owned communities and professional members who provide services and support to the communities in our area. In addition to our board training conferences, presentations have focused on insurance, hurricane preparation, legal issues affecting residents' owned communities, and 'roundtable discussions' focusing on member generated concerns and questions.

All meetings begin with networking and refreshment at 9:00am, executive meeting at 9:30am and program at 10:00am All close by 11:30-12:00pm except board certification ends at 2pm.

Tuesday December 12 AT: Sun-N-Fun Mobile Homeowners Association, Inc. 5558 Palm Beach Blvd. Fort Myers, FL 33905, <https://www.snfftmyers.com/>, 239 694 5536 Program: What your CAM wants you to know. Speaker: Troy Conner



For one night only, Thursday January 23rd, 2025, Orange Harbor RV Resort in Ft Myers will present “A Neil

Diamond Tribute” at 7:00 p.m. There will be dinner at 5:30 p.m. “A Neil Diamond Tribute” stars Diamond look and sound alike Keith Allyn.

Experience the feel of Neil as Allyn unveils the story of Diamond’s life through Neil’s own songs from the ‘60s through today, while weaving through his own comedic career change from an international top 10 Elvis to Neil Diamond, all for the love of a woman.

Allyn began his career in stand-up comedy at the age of 14 opening for such greats as Chris Rock, Tim Allen and Robin Williams. At 21, he discovered his musical talents while performing “All Shook Up” at a karaoke night. The girls went wild, and Allyn was hooked. For several years he continued to perform as an Elvis tribute artist and was voted a top 10 Elvis, by Graceland, in 2004.

Later, trying to impress a girl who was a huge Neil Diamond fan, he called her on the phone and in his best Neil voice sang “Hello Again” from the Jazz Singer. It became their song, she became his wife, and he became The Diamond Image. Come see the story unfold live along with the story of Neil Diamond’s struggles and triumphs, enjoying hits like “Sweet Caroline,” “Song Sung Blue,” “Hello Again,” “Brother Love,” “America” and many more.

If you love romance, magical surprises, comedy and Neil Diamond music, you will love *A Neil Diamond Tribute*. For tickets and information contact Denise Miller.

To the **First Mates** and anyone interested in



attending the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater in the spring: We will be seeing "Crazy for You." This Tony-award winning musical comedy follows

Bobby Childs, a young banker who dreams of becoming a star. Sent to foreclose on a failing theater, he falls for the theater owner's daughter. To win against her & save the theater, he disguises himself as a famous Broadway producer, but when the real producer shows up along with Bobby's fiancée, hilarity ensues. We have reservations for Saturday, March 22 at a cost of \$85 per person. Any questions, text Betty West at 207-404-3030.

Hobbies and Crafts

Hobbies and Crafts meets on Tues. from 9-11 in the clubhouse. In addition to the weekly project, you are welcome to join us to work on your individual projects – knitting, crocheting, quilting, sewing, etc. Bring your own sewing machines. Stay as long as you like. There usually isn’t anything scheduled when our group is finishing.

Weekly projects: Watch for sign-up sheets in the clubhouse,
Dec. 3 – Stocking stuffers small projects – small notebook & mini calendar, bookmarks, and folding money
Dec. 10 – Christmas angel
Dec. 17 - Terrarium project and Dirty Santa gift exchange
Dec. 24 and 31 – No Hobby – enjoy the holidays
Watch the January newsletter for the January weekly projects.
Looking ahead - January 19 – Used fashion sale – start cleaning out your drawers and closets. We will take clean, used clothing (men and women), shoes, purses, scarves, intimates, hats/caps, and jewelry. Last year we had a really large jewelry section at very reasonable prices.

Water Aerobics



Join us Monday-Friday at 9 a.m. for water aerobics in the swimming pool.

Starting January 2025 water aerobics will be Tuesday & Thursday at 9 a.m. Wednesday & Friday at 10 a.m. There will be no class on Mondays.



Staying Fit

An article on staying fit appeared in the last issue of AARP magazine. I borrowed some of the ideas to share with you.

It is never too late to move and stay fit. You can improve your fitness well into your 80s and beyond. The key is to build endurance and strength at your own pace to reduce the risk of injury. Sticking with an exercise program will be critical to long-term fitness. It doesn't have to take up a lot of time or involve getting a gym membership or buying pricey gear.

Join the folks at the 8 a.m. Power Walking class in the clubhouse from 8 to 9 Monday through Friday. We have about 20 Leslie Sansone DVDs, so each day is similar but with slightly different moves. There are weights in the clubhouse if you choose to use them. This program is better than a walk in the park because the DVDs take you through both upper- and lower-body workouts.



Foxy Ladies meet every 2nd

Thursday of the month. Please contact Nancy Shepers 812-613-0846 for more information.

Lunch will be December 13 in the clubhouse at 11:30am for a potluck! Not Thursday!

Mimosa Belles meets every second Tuesday of the month. Please contact Gayle Corson at 815-355-4352 for more information.



Art Club

The club meets every Monday from 12-3pm. and is for anyone who paints, draws, stamps, or creates other transportable art.

This season the club will offer mini painting lessons with each lesson focusing on one topic, such as how to paint trees, rocks, clouds, or water.

The club has two art shows on the calendar, with one in December, a perfect opportunity for Christmas shopping.

Artists at all levels are welcome to join the Art Club. Club dues are \$10 for the year and cover the costs of art shows and a pizza party at the end of the season. Please contact Linda Trinkle at 812-278-4476 for more information.



Strong Seniors Strong Bones

Strong Seniors Strong Bones will be held during Jan. Feb. and Mar. on MWF from 9:15-10:15 in the clubhouse.

- Dr. Miriam Nelson, from Tufts University in Boston, conducted a study, looking at the benefits of strength training. When compared to people in the sedentary group, people in the exercise group increased: strength, muscle mass, bone density and balance.
- As a result of this study, Dr. Nelson developed a structured strength training program for mid-life and older people. This training improves/increases muscle mass, strength and balance, bone density, arthritis symptoms, metabolic rate, and glucose control and lipid profile.

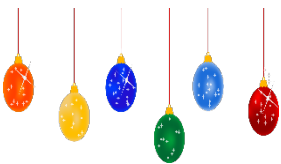
Sue Steiner has been trained as a Strong Senior leader and will lead the group. Contact Sue at 920-810-0571 if you have questions. More details will appear in the January newsletter.



Paint with Kelly!

This season we'll once again be offering a painting/craft class led by Kelly of SeaScapes by KAN. The 2025 class will be held on Thursday, January 16th at 1pm in the clubhouse. We will be

doing a Gecko at the cost of \$45 (before optional resin). The signup sheet will be available sometime in the first week of December for those interested in participating. If you've not attended one of Kelly's Orange Harbor classes, she's great!!! Anyone can be successful and end up with a great art piece. You may have seen some of our work around the park, we've completed a surfboard and flamingo!!



Don't Miss The 49th Annual Edison and Ford Holiday Nights!

Thousands of lights, hundreds of historic decorations, and one unique holiday experience await you nightly! Holiday Nights will run from November 29, 2024, through January 5, 2025, except for Christmas Eve and Christmas night.

Tours

Guided Holiday Tradition Tours will be offered at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. every night or visitors can meander at their own pace on a self-guided tour. Inside-the-Homes tours will be offered for special up-close looks at the homes' decorated interiors, dates TBD.

Ticket Prices

- Holiday Nights tickets for adults are \$20, teens (13-19) \$10, children (6-12) are \$2, and \$10 for Edison Ford members.

- Guided Holiday Tradition Tours are \$30 for adults and teens are \$25, children \$18.
- Inside-the-Homes Holiday Tours are \$50 per person.


Guided tours are not available for advanced purchase and must be purchased in the ticket office on a first-come first-served basis after 4:30pm on the day of the tour. Guided tour admission includes general admission to Holiday Nights to allow visitors to explore on their own at the conclusion of the tour.

36th Annual Fort Myers Beach Christmas

Boat Parade December 7, 2024, 6:00 pm at Salty Sam's Marina 2500 Main St. Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931.

The parade will start from Salty Sam's Marina and cruise through the northern back bay area of Fort Myers Beach. Experience the parade from the comfort of the many restaurants and public places along the back bay. Whether you choose to dine at a cozy waterfront restaurant or find a perfect spot at one of the public viewing areas, you'll have a fantastic view of the beautifully lit boats as they pass by. Make it a night to remember with great food, good company, and the enchanting sights of the Christmas Boat Parade!

Christmas Carolers



Christmas Caroling will be at the Pavilion on December 8 from 4-5:00pm.

Carolers will be from the Calvary Church



Cornhole is every **Wednesday at 1:30** for sign-ups and tossing at 2:00pm.

MAHJONG Join us every **Wednesday at 11am.**

Mahjong is a tile-based game that was developed in the 19th century in China. It is played with four players. It is a game of skill, strategy, and luck. Contact Kay Evans at 303-859-5566 for any help.

Hand/Knee/Foot is every **Sunday and Wednesday at 5:30pm.** Hand/Knee/Foot is a card game similar to Canasta for four players.

Texas Hold-Em is held every **Friday at 1pm.** Two cards are dealt face down to each player, then five community cards are dealt face up. The goal is to get the best poker hand.

Dingo is every other **Tuesday at 6:30.** Please consult your calendar for actual dates.

Happiness is yelling, "BINGO"!

Play is every other Tuesday, please consult your calendar!

Bingo caller & Validator Volunteers Needed!

If you are interested in being the caller or validator sign-ups will be in the clubhouse.

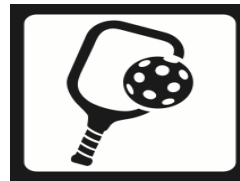
Caller: Will use the OH computer that will auto select the numbers and then announce the number through the sound system. New callers will be instructed on how to use the Bingo Software.

Validator: Will call back the numbers of a potential Bingo, collect and dispose of the used bingo sheets.

BINGO RULES

- DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 P.M.
- NO CARDS CAN BE PURCHASED AFTER 6:15 P.M.
- CALLING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 6:30 P.M.
- NO ONE UNDER 18 IS ALLOWED TO PLAY

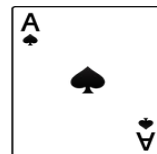
- NO ONE BUT PLAYERS WHO PURCHASED A BINGO PACK ALLOWED I.E. NO WATCHERS
- YOU MUST CALL "BINGO" ON THE LAST NUMBER CALLED
- YOU MUST YELL "BINGO" LOUD ENOUGH FOR THE CALLER TO HEAR YOU.
- IF MORE THAN ONE PLAYER BINGO'S ON THE LAST NUMBER CALLED, THE POT WILL BE SPLIT AMONG THOSE WITH VALID BINGO'S



Pickleball, it's the real dill!

Play starts on Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 10 a.m. in the

clubhouse parking lot until the new courts are finished. Bring sneakers and water for hydration! Watch for the brand spankin' new court coming soon!



Thursdays in the clubhouse are card night extravaganza!

Play begins at 6 p.m. and these are the games being played weekly!

Euchre

Pinochle

Cribbage (begins January 2025)

And

Dominoes/Mexican Train

Shuffleboard enthusiasts! Meet your team players on Tuesday mornings at 11:00am. Equipment is provided.



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Protecting Our Mangroves

One of nature's best defense systems for parts of the U.S. coast under threat from hurricanes each year is a group of gnarly trees called **mangroves**. These trees only grow in tropical and subtropical climates since they cannot withstand freezing temperatures. They make up dense forests in saltwater areas along parts of the Gulf Coast that feature intricately intertwined root systems, which give the appearance that the trees are walking on the water. Those interlocking roots help protect coastlines from flooding when hurricanes hit. They break down that wave energy; in doing so, they reduce how far the floodwaters penetrate inland. The trees also help stabilize coastlines and guard against erosion.

Mangrove forests capture massive amounts of carbon dioxide emissions and other greenhouse gases from the atmosphere, and then trap and store them in their carbon-rich flooded soils for millennia. This is an important ecosystem service as we face climate change. This buried carbon is known as "blue carbon" because it is stored underwater in coastal ecosystems like mangrove forests, seagrass beds and salt marshes. The complex mangrove root systems filter nitrates, phosphates and other pollutants from the water, improving the water quality flowing from rivers and streams into the estuarine and ocean environment

The dense forests also serve as home to a variety of animals, such as crabs, birds, fish and iguanas. Estuarine habitats with coastal mangrove shorelines and tree roots are often important spawning and nursery territory for juvenile marine species including shrimp, crabs, and many sport and commercial fish species such as redfish, snook and tarpons. Branches of the mangroves act as bird rookeries and nesting areas for coastal wading birds including egrets, herons, cormorants and roseate spoonbills. In some areas, red mangrove roots are ideal for oysters, which can attach to the portion of the roots that hang into the water. Endangered species such as the smalltooth sawfish, manatee, hawksbill sea turtle, Key Deer and the Florida panther rely on this habitat during some stage of their life cycle.

The nation's largest mangrove forest, which is also one of the largest in the world, is found in Southwest Florida. According to U.S. Fish and Wildlife, the Ten

Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge is home to 232 square miles of mangrove forest.

Threats to Mangrove Forests

Unfortunately, there are many challenges that place mangrove forests under threat. Human impact such as dredging, filling, water pollution from herbicides and development can lead to mangrove erosion and habitat destruction. When mangrove forests are cleared and destroyed, they release massive amounts of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, contributing to climate change.

According to U.S. Fish and Wildlife, it is estimated that a fifth of the world's mangrove systems were lost to habitat degradation and development from 1980 to 2010. Climate change also poses a threat, The mangroves may not be able to keep up with sea-level rise, they may be flooded to the extent they may start to die off, and a storm can knock them off more easily than in the past.

In 1996, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) implemented the Mangrove Trimming and Preservation Act. This Act regulates the trimming and alteration of mangroves while also banning the use of herbicides and other chemicals used to defoliate mangroves. Mangroves cannot be removed, trimmed, or disturbed without a permit from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

For a complete guideline on the rules that protect our mangroves from removing to trimming identifying certain species, please visit the following link:

https://floridadep.gov/sites/default/files/Mangrove-Homeowner-Guide-sm_0.pdf#:~:text=The%20Florida%20Legislature%20enacted%20the%201996%20Mangrove%20Trimming%20and%20Preservation





Golf Carts vs Bicycles and Pedestrians

Please remember that golf carts and bikes must follow the same “rules of the road” as cars and other motor vehicles. Golf carts need to stay on their side of the street, stop at all corners, and proceed into an intersection after carefully looking both ways. There have been way too many “near misses” on our streets involving cars, bicycles, and pedestrians, with drivers not following the “rules of the road”. Please follow the speed limit of 15 mph on our streets and stop at all **STOP** signs for the safety of our residents.

Pedestrians, please use a flashlight at night on your evening walks for your safety and others.

NEED TO KNOW! PLEASE READ!

THE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR THE LEE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT IS 239-477-1000. IF IT IS AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE DIAL 911.

NO SMOKING IN THE PAVILION AND GYPSY HAUL!

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED WITHIN 30’ OF THE EXTERIOR OF THE CLUBHOUSE! PLEASE DISPOSE CIGARETTE BUTTS IN THE PROPER PLACE, NOT ON THE GROUND!

QUIET TIME IS FROM 10PM-7AM.

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Residents: You must call Broadstar before you dig in your yards. Let’s avoid any interruptions of our internet service. Call Dana Miller, Director of Operations at 561-472-5022 ext. 139.

Facebook

If you are a resident of Orange Harbor, please join “**Orange Harbor Friends**” on Facebook for another use of information of the activities, meetings, events, etc. going on in our community.

“ARC” Architectural Review Committee

Applications are required for **ANY** changes affecting the exterior of the residence, **including Air Conditioning Units, check the “other” box. Applications must be submitted 30 days prior to the start of the work.** Work cannot commence without ARC approval. All work shall commence within 90 days of approval. Any changes or modifications must be submitted to the Arc committee for review and consideration. **Homeowners must comply with all local and state building codes and obtain permits as required.** When using a contractor, the homeowner must obtain the business license, Certificate of Insurance (COI) showing coverage for Liability and Workman’s Compensation (Certificate Holder must show Orange Harbor Co-Op Inc. on the COI) Any unapproved or non-complying improvements may be subject to enforcement procedures, including but not limited to the demand of removal, imposition of fines, and/or legal injunctions at the homeowner’s expense. You can find the form on the website at orangeharbormhc.com under the “Documents” tab or at the office.



Did you know that we have Three websites involving Orange Harbor?

Please visit our websites at:

Orangeharbormhc.com

Here you can find lots of information regarding our park and what it has to offer. Once there you can click on different tabs which will take you to our RV resort page that website is:

Ohrvresort.com

You can also click on the tab for homes for sale from Barefoot Realtors, that website is:

Orangeharborhomes.com

Front Gate Security

When entering the park through the gate, please be sure to wait until the gate closes before proceeding to keep people out of the community who do not have authorized access. **DON’T GIVE OUT YOUR GATE CODE! Use the pin pad/kiosk at the front gate to allow guests into the community!**



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Weekly Activities Schedule

Activity	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Leader	Off Schedule	On Schedule
Men's Golf League					7:30am			Kim F	April 2024 - Dec 2024	Jan 2025 - Mar 2025
Exercise DVD		8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am		Sue S	April 1, 2024 - Oct 15 2024	Oct 15, 2024 - Mar 31 2025
Water Aerobics		9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am		Sharon M /	Off Season April-December	
Water Aerobics (in season)			9:00am	10:00am	9:00am	10:00am		Barb H	In season January-March	
Pool/Billiards League		9:00am		9:00am, 6:00pm				Bob Coats	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Hobbies and Crafts			9:00am					Sue S	April 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - Mar 2025
Line Dance					9:00am			Caryn N	April 2024 - Dec 2024	Jan 2025 - Mar 2025
Horseshoes			9:00am					Richard J	May 2024 - Dec 2024	Jan 2025 - April 2025
Pickle Ball		10:00am		10:00am		10:00am		Midge	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Bocce Ball		10:00am						Marlene	April 2024 - Nov 2024	Dec 2024 - Mar 2025
Shuffleboard			11:00am					Pattie P	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Ladies Golf League		10:30am						Sharon M	May 2024 - Dec 2024	Jan 2025 - April 2025
Bible Reading		10:30am						Tim	July 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - June 2025
Mahjong				11:00am				Kay Evens	Year Round	
Art Club		12:30pm						Mary Anne K	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025

Corn Hole				1:30pm				Sue P	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Hand, Knee, Foot	5:30pm			5:30pm				Dolly T	Year Round	
Dominoes / Mexican Train					6:00pm			Jan S	Year Round	
Euchre				6:00pm				Ken S	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Pinochle					6:00pm			Mary Anne K	May 2024 - Oct 2024	Nov 2024 - April 2025
Cribbage					6:00pm			Dolly J	April 2024 - Dec 2024	Jan 2025 - Mar 2025



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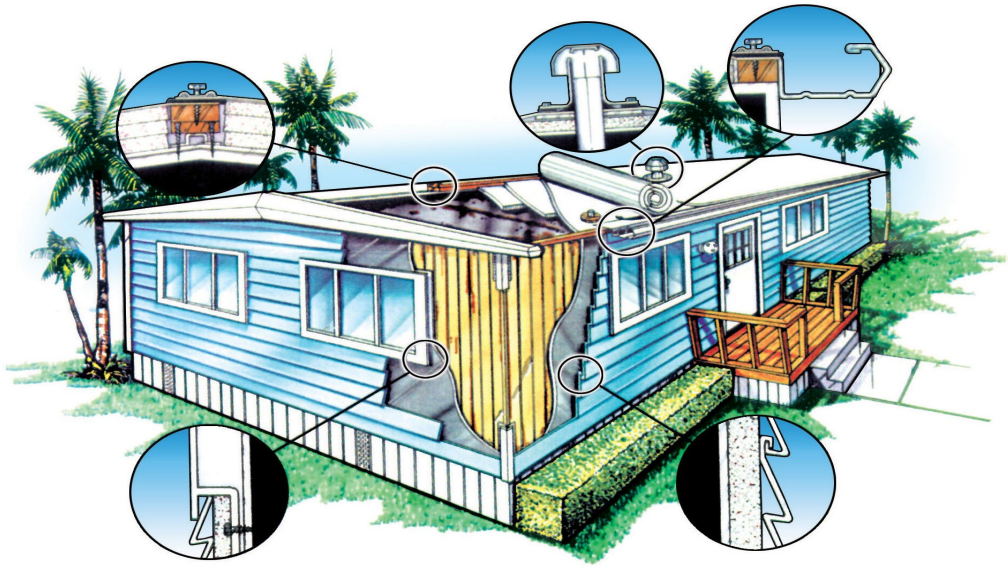
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Suggestions for Acts of Kindness by Personality Type

The Shy Type: You would rather remain anonymous.

- Post inspirational sticky notes around your neighborhood, office, school, etc.
- Donate old towels or blankets to an animal shelter.
- Leave quarters at the laundromat.
- Leave unused coupons next to corresponding products in the grocery store.
- When you're throwing something away on the street, pick up any litter around you and put that in the trash too.
- Pay the toll for the person behind you.
- Leave a box of goodies in your mailbox for your mail carrier.

The Outgoing Type: Ham it up for the good of others!

- Compliment the first three people you talk to today.
- Say hi to the person next to you on the elevator.
- Surprise a neighbor with freshly baked cookies or treats!
- Try to make sure every person in a group conversation feels included.
- Smile at five strangers.
- While you're out, compliment a parent on how well-behaved their child is.
- Find opportunities to give compliments. It costs nothing, takes no time, and could make someone's entire day. Don't just think about it. Say it.

The Giver: Do you shop for others than for yourself? These ideas are perfect for you.

- Give away stuff for free.
- Buy a plant. Put it in a terracotta pot. Write positive words that describe a friend on the pot. Give it to that friend!
- Leave a kind server the biggest tip you can afford.
- Purchase extra dog or cat food and bring it to an animal shelter.
- Take flowers or treats to the nurses' station at your nearest hospital.
- Take muffins or cookies to your local librarian.

The Sentimental: You write love notes, thank you cards, and thoughtful texts like it's your job.

- Send a positive text message to five different people right now.
- Write a kind message on your mirror with a dry erase marker for your significant other or a family member.

- Send a gratitude email to a coworker who deserves more recognition.
- Write a positive comment on your favorite blog, website, or a friend's social media account
- Write a gratitude list in the morning and again in the evening.
- Put 50 paper hearts in a box. On each cutout write something that is special about your partner or a friend. Give them the box and tell them to pull out a heart anytime they need a pick-me-up.
- Write your partner a list of things you love about them.
- Send a 'Thank you' card or note to the officers at your local police or fire station.

The Practical Type: You would rather meet a need than give a frivolous gift.

- Keep an extra umbrella at work, so you can lend it out when it rains.
- Let someone go in front of you in line who only has a few items.
- Know parents who could use a night out? Offer to babysit for free.
- Return shopping carts for people at the grocery store.
- Have a clean-up party at a beach or park.
- Run an errand for a family member who is busy.
- Put your phone away while in the company of others.
- Set an alarm on your phone to go off at three different times during the day. In those moments, do something kind for someone else.
- Practice self-kindness and spend 30 minutes doing something you love today.

Remember that even the smallest act of kindness can be powerful. Scientific studies have shown that an act of kindness improves your life satisfaction because your sense of belonging and self-worth increases. In addition, your health improves since acts of kindness lower blood pressure, anxiety, and depression.





Happy Holidays!

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Preventing Food Poisoning During the Holidays

Feasting with family is part of many holiday

celebrations. Follow these tips to help prevent food poisoning, or foodborne illness, during the holidays.

Keep foods separated. Keep meat, chicken, turkey, seafood, and eggs separate from all other foods at the grocery store and in the refrigerator. Prevent juices from meat, chicken, turkey, and seafood from dripping or leaking onto other foods by keeping them in containers or sealed plastic bags. Store eggs in their original carton in the main compartment of the refrigerator.

Cook food thoroughly. Use a food thermometer to make sure meat, chicken, turkey, seafood, and eggs have been cooked to a safe internal temperature to kill germs. Roasts, chops, steaks, and fresh ham should rest for 3 minutes after you remove them from the oven or grill.

Keep food out of the “danger zone.” Bacteria can grow rapidly in the danger zone between 40°F and 140°F. After food is prepared, keep hot food hot and cold food cold. Refrigerate or freeze perishable food like meat, chicken, turkey, seafood, eggs, cut fruit, cooked rice, and leftovers within 2 hours (1 hour if food is exposed to temperatures above 90°F, such as in a hot car). The temperature in your refrigerator should be set at 40°F or below and the freezer at 0°F or below.

Use pasteurized eggs for dishes containing raw eggs. Salmonella and other harmful germs can live on both the outside and inside of normal-looking eggs. Many holiday favorites contain raw eggs, including eggnog, tiramisu, hollandaise sauce, and Caesar dressing. Always use pasteurized eggs when making these and other foods made with raw eggs.

Do not eat raw dough or batter. Dough and batter made with flour or eggs can contain harmful germs, such as E. coli and Salmonella. Do not taste or eat raw dough or batter that is meant to be baked or cooked. This includes dough or batter for cookies, cakes, pies, biscuits, pancakes, tortillas, pizza, or crafts. Do not let children taste raw dough or batter or play with dough at home or in restaurants. Some companies and stores offer edible cookie dough that uses heat-treated flour and pasteurized eggs or no eggs. Read the label carefully to make sure the dough is meant to be eaten without baking or cooking.

Thaw your turkey safely. Thaw turkey in the refrigerator, in a sink of cold water (change the water every 30 minutes), or in the microwave. Do not thaw turkey or other foods on the counter. A turkey must thaw at a safe temperature to prevent harmful germs from growing rapidly. Learn more about preparing turkey safely.

Wash your hands with soap and water during these key times when you are likely to get and spread germs:

- Before, during, and after preparing food.
- Before eating food
- After handling pet food or pet treats or touching pets
- After using the toilet
- After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
- After touching garbage
- Before and after caring for someone who is sick
- Before and after treating a cut or wound
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing

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- Consumer Name.
- Consumer Address.
- Consumer Phone number and/or email.
- Type of insurance coverage (Homeowner, Condo Unit Owner, Mobile Home, Dwelling Fire, Windstorm, Flood)
- Full name of insurance company.
- Policy number.
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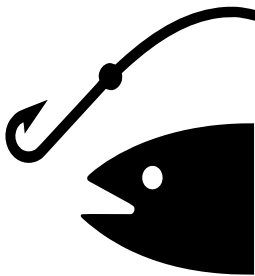
The Orange River is an "Idle" zone river all season long.

"Idle Speed, No Wake" Zone: A designated area where vessels must be operated at a speed no greater than that which is necessary to maintain steerage and headway. The vessel should not produce a wake at this speed.

The Caloosahatchee River has a "slow wake" from November 15 to March 31.

Slow-No Wake means operating a boat at the slowest speed necessary to maintain steerage and reduces or eliminates waves that appear as white water behind the boat. the same location frequently.

Resume normal operating speed from April 1- November 14.



CATCH OF THE SEASON IS BACK FOR 2024-25!!

Despite Hurricanes Helene and Milton, OH refuses not to be optimistic, upbeat and appreciative of our island setting and fishing. The 2024-25 Orange Harbor Catch of the Season fishing tournament will continue and commenced on November 15th and will run through April 15, 2025. Recall that the only requirements for this fishing tournament are that the angler is an Orange Harbor resident and that his/her catch is from our beautiful Orange Harbor shores. Please include your name, the species, and length of your catch. Also include a photo.

Recall that for the 2023-24 Season, we had a tie for the first time ever. Both John Gossett and Tony Wellbaum submitted separate catches of an 80" Sawfish. Their names were proudly engraved on the Catch of the Season plaques on the trophy Wall of Fame in our Orange Harbor clubhouse. Your reported catch need not be a monster fish. We have also had winners in years past of Tarpon, Bull Shark, Blacktip Shark, and Snook. Report your catches and photo, via email or text, to the tournament Commissioner below and we will publish them in the next issue of the Island News:

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Memorial Garden

Plaques will be available for purchase for our new "Memorial Garden" located in the "Community Garden". The plaques are 4" wide x 2" high, Engraved Brushed Brass Plate Black Etched Letters. They are rounded edge with six choices of font design. They are available for \$50 each and the proceeds will go to the "Community and Memorial Clubs" for future expansion of both projects. You may purchase one through Jennifer Krogulski at 78 Sun Circle, ohnewsletter@aol.com or call 570-237-5409. All checks will be made out to the Orange Harbor Social Committee. Order must include name of purchaser, address, email, phone number and the script you would like engraved along with your choice of font. I will send a verification that everything is correct. Each plate will hold 5 lines max with 30-40 characters per line. Below are the examples of fonts available:



For a better example you may view the designs at 78 Sun Circle or in the clubhouse.

A black rectangular advertisement for FOX Plumbing, Inc. The logo features a stylized 'F' with a fox head profile and the word 'FOX' in a bold, outlined font. Below the logo, the text reads 'Plumbing, Inc.' and 'Wells-Pool & Irrigation Supplies'. The address is '12338 Palm Beach Blvd, Ft. Myers, FL 33905' and the phone number is '(239)694-1969'. The text continues: 'Serving Orange Harbor and Lee County since 1980. *Water Heater Replacement *Plumbing Repairs & New Installations *Bathroom & Kitchen Remodeling *Drain Cleaning *Repiping of Water & Drainage Lines for Manufactured Homes Retail store across from the Fort Myers Shores Fire Department Rick and Debbie Fox-Owners Licensed and Insured-CFC058721'.

Cook's Corner



After cleaning out some closets I came across a cookbook that came from the "Ladies Hobby Club" published in 2006. The book is called "Recipes and Remembrances from Orange Harbor. The sweet woman I purchased my house from over 10 years ago left this book for me. I will be featuring a recipe each month, you may even recognize some of the names from the past and even the present. Can you imagine all of the potluck dinners these recipes were used for back when we had potlucks? I though it would be fun to share these recipes will all of you! Bon Appetit!

Christmas Holly Candy

By Anita Dilgard

- 1 stick butter
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon green food coloring
- 40 regular size marshmallows
- 4 cups Wheaties cereal
- Red Hots candy

In a saucepan, melt together the first 4 ingredients. Pour mixture over Wheaties and stir quickly. Drop from teaspoon onto a wax paper lined cookie sheet. Sprinkle red hots. It looks exactly like Christmas Holly.



Co-Op Board of Directors Meetings

The Orange Harbor Board of Directors meet every fourth Friday of the month at 9:00 am in the clubhouse and via Zoom. Shareholders will be notified of the meeting via email. All shareholders are welcome to attend. **Next meeting is December 27, 2024.**

Town Hall Meetings

Town Hall meetings are held every Wednesday after the Board of Director meetings from the previous Friday. All residents of Orange Harbor are invited to attend. Whether you lease the land or are a shareholder all are encouraged to attend. Meetings are held at 10 am in the clubhouse. **The next meeting is December 28, 2024 after coffee & donuts.**



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Our Christmas celebrations kick off with a concert starring Southern Gospel, Grammy winner Larry Ford on **Sunday, December 8th at 10:30am**. Larry's voice and ministry will inspire you and provide encouragement along with the hope, love, joy, and peace – that Christ brought into the world. The following **Sunday, December 15th**, we have a Christmas luncheon following the 10:30am morning service. A fun time of fellowship for all of us. Then on **Tuesday, December 24th** we have a candlelight service at 6:00 pm. Our annual Christmas Eve candlelight service is a wonderful time to reflect on Christ's birth and entry into the world. We sing songs and illuminate our sanctuary in candlelight. Everyone is welcome!

You can find Calvary Assembly of God at:
Address: 11431 Palm Beach Blvd. Fort Myers, FL 33905
Phone: 239-208-4843

If you need a ride to the church, please contact Emily Miller at 239-771-0555 or email emily@iamemilymiller.com

Larry Ford Biography

From the sounds of grand opera to the stages of Southern Gospel, Grammy winner Larry Ford has found audiences responding to his commanding voice. Originally from Lubbock, Texas, Larry's work has taken him to 49 of the 50 states in the U.S. From the far reaches of Seoul, Korea to the southern hemisphere's Spanish speaking countries, Larry's facility with language has made it possible for him to carry his message in song to more than thirty-eight foreign countries. **His passion for ministry abroad has led to his being described as "gospel music's ambassador to the world"**. Larry Ford has attracted a legion of admirers who appreciate his clear, powerful tenor voice and utter sincerity. **In 2003, Ford was awarded a Grammy for Best Southern Gospel Recording**. His entrée to the world stage was as a featured soloist on the Gaither Music Homecoming DVD series, which consistently ranks in the top of Billboard Magazine's music charts. **In a survey by the Gaither Music organization, Larry was one of the three most requested soloists on the Gaither Homecoming videos (April 2014).**

Larry Ford presents over 75 concerts a year to audiences around the world. His schedule normally involves weekend church services or concerts, although he occasionally schedules two-to-three-week tours for international concerts. The Grammy-winning former pastor has made albums not just of hymns and praise music, but of patriotic American songs and Irish folk tunes. He has sung the National Anthem for the Boston Red Sox and Tampa Bay Lightning. Larry has been a pilot – a pastor – and all of his life, a worshipper. He understands a pastor's heart. Maybe you're planning a big

event as an outreach to your community – or maybe your church family needs inspiration and encouragement. Larry's voice and ministry can be an encouragement to your church family to reach up – and out.

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- Fill a water bottle before boarding.
- Eat before your trip and limit high salt and high glycemic index processed foods.
- Use a neck pillow to limit neck strain.
- Wear earplugs or noise-canceling headphones.

Arthritis

- Do some light exercising before traveling.
- Drink a glass of water per hour.
- Skip salty airplane snacks and sugary drinks.
- Wear compression socks and support your pain trouble spots with cushions or travel pillows.

Allergies and Sinus Issues

- Take a decongestant 30 minutes before takeoff or use nasal spray 15 minutes before.
- Drink water and keep nasal membranes moist by using a saline nasal spray, once an hour.
- Suck on hard candy to relieve ear pressure.
- Wear a mask. Dry air and frequent temperature changes can aggravate sensitive airways.

Restless Leg Syndrome

- Take your meds at takeoff, as if it's your bedtime.
- Drink plenty of water and avoid alcohol.
- Ease off caffeine.
- Get up and move around as much as possible.
- Keep your mind occupied with crosswords or other puzzles.

To all who are traveling this Holiday Season, be safe and enjoy your families!

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Pet Disaster Kit for Emergency

- ID tags with phone numbers for collars and/or harnesses.
- Leashes, harnesses, and carriers to transport pets safely and securely.
- Water and food for 7 days.
- Medication for 7 days.
- Vaccination records, medical conditions, behavior problems, feeding schedule, vet information stored in a water-proof container. This is needed if you must board your pets.
- Current photo of your pets in case they get lost.
- Pet bed, toys, treats, food bowls.

***Reminder- pet owners to observe the park rules regarding dogs, as failure to comply will result in a violation letter!**

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste in YOUR trash or in the dog waste receptacles at the dog park.
- Always keep your dog on a leash and walk them on the road.
- Do not allow your dog to walk, defecate, or urinate in other residents' yards or RV sites.
- Dogs must always be accompanied by an owner, when outside a residence or RV.
- You must keep your dog under control, especially around other dogs and pedestrians.
- Under the noise ordinance, excessive barking is considered a nuisance to other residents; inside or outside a residence.
- ALL PETS must be registered in the office. 8. Please keep cats on leash and do not let them out of your home unsupervised.

Don't forget to send in your dog and/or cat vaccinations to the office.

Concerns/Complaints About Animals

For all concerns/complaints about animals in or around the park please call:
Lee County Domestic Animal Services at 239-533-7387

Residents for Hire and Services

Janell Durr, at 1298 5th St. and I am available for petsitting and I am able to drive you to the airport/doctor appointments. Please contact Janell at 567-204-3492.

Billy Roberts, and I am available if anyone needs help with their boat, I have over 30 years' experience in maintaining and operating boats of all sizes. I have been a licensed yacht 100-ton captain for 25+years. I do not repair outboard motors. Please contact Billy at 310-408-4015.

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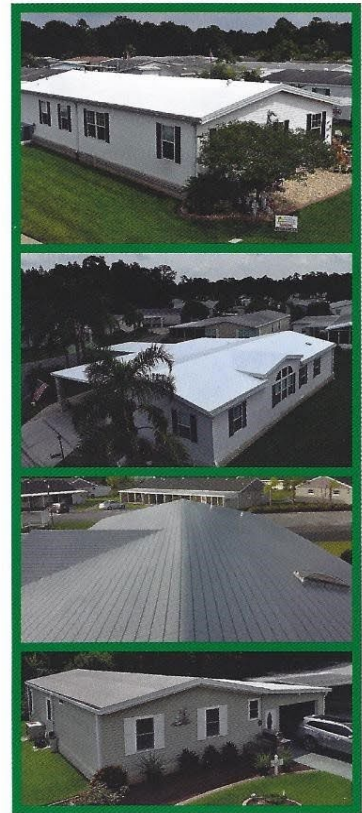
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Zoom Etiquette

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✓ Zoom "Best Practices"

- ✓ You should try to attend the meeting from a quiet area that has a neutral background.
- ✓ Eliminate distractions-noises (dog barking, dishwasher, voices in the background, TV, etc.) and movement going on around you.
- ✓ Wear proper attire-not your pajamas or go shirtless.
- ✓ Avoid distracting behaviors-ironing, eating, moving around, etc.
- ✓ Don't do private things-brush or floss your teeth, shave, etc.

REMEMBER: THE CAMERA SEES EVERYTHING & EVERYONE ON ZOOM CAN SEE YOU. While we like to see everyone, you do not have to participate using video to attend a Zoom meeting. You do not have to have your camera on to see what is going on at the meeting either. Another option is to just cover up your camera lens at the top of the screen with a post-it note. If you choose to have your camera on, aim the camera 'straight' at your face (not from a position that looks up your nose) and try to follow the Zoom "best practices".

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Art Walk is every 1st Friday of the month which features local artists. You'll find local vendors, crafters, and artists demonstrating and selling their unique works-of-art from a wide variety of mediums.

Music Walk is every 3rd Friday of the month, the streets will come alive for a one night only concert showcasing musicians of all talent levels and a variety of styles. All events are free to attend and fun for all ages. Visit myriverdistrict.com for more information.

Guest Parking

When Orange Harbor is in full season, guest parking is always a challenge. If you have overnight guests and you do not have sufficient parking space for them at your home, Orange Harbor has several areas for temporary guest parking. If you have a need for temporary overnight parking for your guests, please come into the office to get a parking permit. **Do not park in empty lots, in other people's driveways or on the streets overnight.**

Gate Tutorial

To protect our residents and protect our gate codes, there is a simple way for all of us to let in our guests, contractors, vendors, etc. At the front gate there is a pin pad kiosk. Every resident has their own special code listed on the directory of the kiosk. If you would like to find your code, you can go to the gate, hit the # symbol continuously until you find your name which are in alphabetical order. When you see your name there will be a four-digit number behind your name. Memorize that number! When you must allow entry for someone just have them go to the kiosk enter your four-digit number on the pin pad. Your phone will ring, and your caller ID will show Orange Harbor Office. At this point, answer the call and you will be able to communicate through your speaker on the phone and the speaker on the kiosk. You then will press the number 9 on your phone, repeatedly, if need be, and the gate will open. If you do not want to look for your special code, your visitor can follow the steps on the pin pad of the kiosk. If you have any questions, please stop in, or call the office.

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Activities starting in January 2025!



Line Dancing with Caryn Noonkester on Thursday mornings!



Horseshoes on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.



Bocce Ball Mondays at 10:00 a.m.



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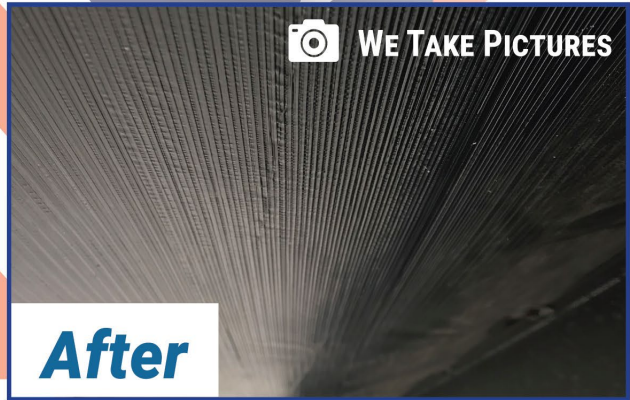
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- 2. FILL OUT A WORK ORDER LOCATED IN THE OFFICE FOR OUR MAINTENANCE STAFF.**
- 3. PARTICIPATE AT THE TOWN HALL MEETINGS.**
- 4. FILL OUT A REQUEST FOR ACTION FORM AND DROP IT OFF AT THE OFFICE. FORMS MUST BE SIGNED.**



Orange Harbor Boat Club

If you own a boat or just like being on the water and want to enjoy all our activities!

The object of this club is to promote, protect and encourage the sport of boating. To encourage the members to become familiar with, to adhere to the Rules of the Road and laws of navigation and seamanship, and to promote and encourage sociability and friendships among its members.

As a member we have monthly group boat trips to local restaurants, an OH Christmas Boat Parade and a Commodores Ball amongst other fun activities! Ideas and leaders are always welcome. Our meetings are on the first Saturday of the month. Please contact Jim -Robinson at 815-353-7280.

Boat club meetings begin in November and run through April. Boat outings are the 4th Monday of those months.

For more information:

Boat Club- Jim Robinson – Commodore
815-353-7280 litehouse@pga.com

First Mates

The objective of our organization is to encourage the sport of boating: To encourage members to become familiar with and adhere to the rules and laws of navigation and seamanship and to promote and encourage sociability and friendship amongst its members (husband or significant other does not have to be a member of the Boat Club).

Dues are \$10 annually.

Our meetings are on the first Saturday of each month and start immediately after breakfast social hour.

Applications are in the clubhouse in the Boat Club/First Mates area on the bulletin board. We welcome you!

If interested, grab an application, fill it out and drop it off at 195 Sun Circle or to Gayle Argenzio.

Boat Club Events

December 2024

- 12/7 All Park Breakfast, Meeting
- 12/7 Dalton Fishing Seminar
- 12/15 Chili Dinner
- 12/21 All Park Breakfast
- 12/21 Lighted Boat Parade
- 12/22 Lighted Boat Parade

January 2025

- 1/4 All Park Breakfast, Meeting
- 1/4 Part 1 of Coast Guard Safety Class
- 1/11 Coast Guard Boat Inspection
- 1/17 Fish Fry
- 1/18 All Park Breakfast
- 1/25 Social Board Carnival (Boat Club Booth)
- 1/27 Boat Trip

February 2025

- 2/1 All Park Breakfast, Meeting
- 2/1 Part 2 Coast Guard Safety Course
- 2/7 Commodore's Ball Set-Up
- 2/8 Commodore's Ball/Change of Watch
- 2/15 All Park Breakfast
- 2/25 Boat Trip

March 2025

- 3/1 All Park Breakfast, Meeting
- 3/1 Coast Guard Seminar- "Suddenly in Command"
- 3/15 All Park Breakfast
- 3/24 Boat Trip
- 3/29 All Park Breakfast

April 2025

- 4/5 All Park Breakfast, Meeting
- 4/14 Boat Trip
- 4/19 All Park Breakfast

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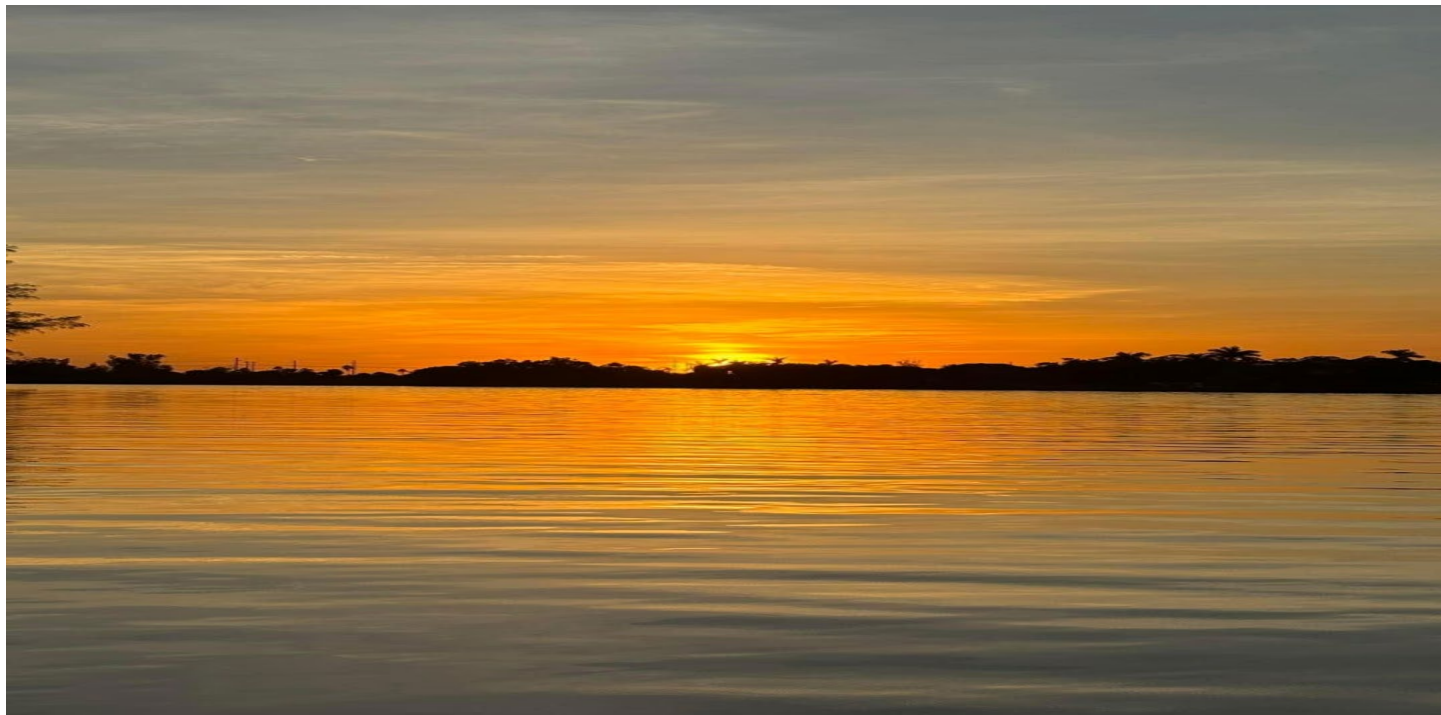


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 2024						
1	2 4:00pm OHSC Meeting	3 6:30pm Dingo	4	5	6	7 8-9:00am All Park Breakfast 9am Boat Club/First Mates Meeting
8 1-3pm Christmas Art Show 4-5pm Christmas Caroling at Pavilion	9	10 11:00am Mimosa Belles 6:30pm Bingo	11	12	13 11:30am Foxy Ladies 6:00pm White Elephant	14 9:00am Coffee & Donuts
15 5-6:30pm Chili Dinner	16	17 6:30pm Dingo	18	19	20	21 8-9:00am All Park Breakfast 6:30-8:00pm Christmas Boat Parade
22 6-7:00pm Golf Cart Parade 7-8:30 Christmas Boat Parade	23 6-7:00pm Golf Cart Parade	24	25	26	27 9:00am Board CO-OP Meeting	28 9:00am Coffee & Donuts 10:00am Town Hall Meeting
29	30	31 6pm New Year's Eve Party				

Weekly Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5:30pm Hand, Knee, Foot	8am Exercise DVD 9am Water Aerobics 9am Pool/Billiards 10am Pickle Ball 10:00am Bocce Ball 10:30am Bible Reading 12:30pm Art Club	8am Exercise DVD 9am Water Aerobics 9am Hobbies & Crafts 11am Shuffleboard	8am Exercise DVD 9am Water Aerobics 9am Pool/Billiards 10am Pickle Ball 11am Mahjong 1:30pm Cornhole 5:30pm Hand, Knee, Foot 6:00pm Nickel Dime Billiards	8am Exercise DVD 9am Water Aerobics 10am Pickle Ball 6pm Pinochle 6pm Euchre 6pm Mexican Train	8am Exercise DVD 9am Water Aerobics 1pm Texas Hold'Em	