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The Orange Harbor

# "Island News"

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# "It ís not happy people who are thankful, ít ís thankful people who are happy.

#### 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!**

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.

Park sale donations will be available on a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse with dates and times. If you have many items to donate, please text Denise Miller at 603-493-1719 with your name and address and a committee member will contact you.

SW Tennis will be the contractor for the pickleball court. They are in the process of pulling the permit to begin construction. Leitner Electric will be handling all electrical needs, and 12 Stones is heading the landscaping.

Tompkins Contracting will be the contractor for the front entrance changes. They will be responsible for pulling the permit. TCI will be handling the landscape, Accurate Electronics will be dealing with the gate controls, and Leitner Electric will be our electrical contractor.

Board member Bill Michals has been working on the infrastructure within our community and has been overseeing the drainage issues that may arise. One issue found was concrete in our drains on Valencia. DO NOT PUT CONCRETE IN THE DRAINS!

At this time, two CO-OP owned homes have been completed in remodeling. On October 1, 2024, one of those has been put under contract to be sold. Profits will be used to complete future home remodeling projects.

The CO-OP has obtained ownership of four homes to be demolished. Those homes are 180, 229, 140 and 87.

#### **Editor's Note:**

After going through two storms within 14 days of one another there were a lot of clean-ups to be done. Some residents were here, and some were not. Fortunately, there is an amazing sense of community within Orange Harbor. All it took was for you to be the shining sunshine through the dark storm clouds to put aside your worries to help ease the worry in someone you helped. That is why I asked our Facebook members to have the opportunity to say "thank you" again to that person who was your light at the end of another scary moment in their lives. These are direct comments from our residents who posted on Facebook.

**Cheryl Frazier LeRiche** Grant and LuAnn Whittaker great friends, home watch, over and above expectations.

**Billy Schroeder** Billy Roberts. Every single time I've asked for anything, he showed up. That my friends, is a true friend !!!

**Phyllis Kistler Cochran** Henry is an angel! He made sure we got power when he flagged down an FPL worker who changed our meter box. BAM . POWER! It didn't stop there.... he continues to stop by daily to see if we need anything. Our HERO

Wanda C Wilson Kent and I would like to thank: Mike and Dawn Miller Kay and Craig Connor Sharon and Bud Wills For securing, checking and taking care of our home before and after Hurricane Helene and Milton. It takes a caring village and loving friends and we are extremely grateful, or lucky to have both. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts

**Mike Adams** Thank you Billy Roberts for all the stop by and please checks things he has done for us while we were gone! Tim Carr, **Dave Linville** for helping me lift some of our heavy items up. We really appreciate all these guys!

Janell Durr Mark & I would like to thank Brooks Swanson for fixing our awning b4 the storm we would of had a total loss of it if it wasn't for Brooks. Our awning had broken off the arm & blocked most of our door & deck, but he came over & fixed it, the storm would of ripped rest of awning down. God bless you, Brooks.

**Nicole Wescott** I don't live there but my parents do. Joanie Willett. Helped them and Butch Chambers is mentioned a lot. He seems super helpful.

**Patricia Ann Phillips** Special thanks to Sharon Milliken for keeping me apprised of everything and taking the time to protect my things!

**Cher Armand Austin** Jeannie and Richard Jeffery. I just met my new neighbors for the first time the week before Helene. Wow what amazing people. They have helped me in so many ways and I know God put them into my life as a true blessing. I cannot find enough words to express my gratitude for their kindness and I know the Lord is truly smiling down upon them. I count them as one of my angels in disguise.

Vicki Deutscher Joanne Lose, Cecil Thomas and Dave Deveraux!! Thank them so very much!!

**Sharon Milliken** Joanne, Cecil, Jeannie Jeffery, and Kay Evans. Thank you again.

**Tracy Bostelman** Grant and Lou Whitaker for ALL THEY DO FOR US<sup>©</sup> Gary Kirk, too!

**Cheryl Johnson** A big thanks to Cheyenne Youngblood, David Devereaux and Cecil Thomas for helping put the hurricane shutters up after Helene and down before Milton and then back up again...lifting up our furniture on blocks and putting it down. They are a blessing.

Midge Hennig I have so many good neighbors and friends who helped us out! Cheyenne Youngblood and Gary Kirk along with Henry Jones removed our boat hoist cover before the storm. Terry Knot who was/is the best house watch and care giver for my house before and after Helene. She cleaned and vacuumed my car and worked cleaning my shed- she did above and beyond! Also, Darlene, Gary, Cheyenne went into my house and raised everything off the floors and in preparation for Milton. Cheryl Johnson who power washed my driveway. The list is long and hopefully I won't leave anyone out! I'm truly grateful for all the help and support. Only Orange Harbor Strong! Thank you everyone for caring for everyone! **Loretta Phillips** Donald Vittitow, Jennifer Kratzer Krogulski, Connie Vittitow and Tony Krogulski for getting our boat out of the water before the storm. Everything that could have gone wrong did. They persevered and got it out. Thank you so much!

**Allen Jones** Deb and Roger. They did a wonderful job of keeping the RV folks informed about the status of their homes.

Susan Steiner We would like to thank Debbie McNeal, Melissa Mullens, Mike and Sharon Webber for checking on our place after the hurricane and answering all our messages. We were supposed to fly down on Oct. 10, but that flight was canceled. We hope to be down there later this week.

Judy Florence Peter and I would like to thank several people who put our minds at ease and reassured us during both Helene and Milton. Tammy, who was always present and answered our anxious calls. And our neighbours on either side Ken and Deb. When we tried to thank them, they said that's what neighbours are for.

El**la Theno** I want to Thank my neighbor Joanne for all her time helping me, when she already had plenty to do without my work! THANK YOU JOANNE!

Linda Fleck Schwyn Grand and Lou Whitaker! Thank you!!! And Bob Livesay for keeping us so well informed!

**Carol Bostelman** Grant & Lou Whitaker for stacking our furniture before the storm. Cecil & Grant for unstacking the furniture after the storm. Thank you!!!

Sheila Hass Tony and Harriet Wellbaum took care of our golf cart and got our fishing poles put up. Craig and Kay Conner put stuff up in our house and turned our electric off. They also go to enjoy an evening snack of Klondike bars with their friends. Kay fed us lunch and Jeanie Jeffries fed us supper. Pete Shaw got our air conditioner running. Thanks to everyone in the park for helping us and welcoming us to OH with open arms. Hope I didn't miss anyone.

**Catie Tuck** Joanne and Heather for helping with hurricane prep and sharing pictures

Janell Durr Paula cleaned gypsy haul for over 9 hours, that was very thoughtful of her to do that for our community, God bless you & thank you! <u>Catie Tuck</u> Joanne and Heather for helping with hurricane prep and sharing pictures.

# Some other words of gratitude that need to be recognized:

Thank you to Gary Kirk, Penny Moran, Cheyenne and Darlene Youngblood for saving a very large palm tree on their street that would have been lost to Milton.

Butch Chambers for always putting our community first and updating us continually on the efforts to restore our piece of paradise!

The volunteers that put the clubhouse back together in record time after the remediation.

## Thought for the Day

"Great mínds díscuss ídeas; average mínds díscuss events; small mínds díscuss people." - **Eleanor Roosevelt** 

#### Let's Get Social

The first Social Committee meeting for 2024-2025 season will now be on Nov 4th at 4:00pm in the clubhouse. Hope to see you there. On the agenda will be some new items: Reviewing 2024-2025 Activity leader needs which include Communications, Trivia Night, First Mates and Shuffleboard.

Last Season saw some major improvements which included purchasing a road sign for advertising OH events, 12 pool side tables, garbage cans inside the clubhouse, outdoor and pavilion, shelves for the upstairs and kitchen storage, stereo for water aerobics, locked cabinet for SC and Hobby, various Christmas decorations and a chest freezer. Advertisers who support our newsletter and all the activities that raise money for the social committee directly fund our projects, activities, parties, etc.

Two Major Hurricanes in October are not what the Doctor ordered, but Orange Harbor is strong and resilient. Cleanup after surge water is never fun or easy, but we really were blessed with minor damage.

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.

Thank you, Denise Miller, OH Social Chair 603-493-1719 dmillernh@comcast.net

#### **President's Notes**

Hello to all,

Well, we had a very difficult month to say the least, but once again Orange Harbor Strong showed up to attack the issues head on. We suffered two large hurricanes in a month but bounced back quickly! The volunteers have come out of the woodwork to help the park, and also each other. Your Board of Directors worked hard to organize many plans of preparedness and recovery during this month, and the volunteers of OH STRONG put those plans into action! It was only 4 days after Hurricane Milton that the clubhouse was remediated and put back together! The pool was opened, and pumps were back up and running 3 days after the storm! The debris will be cleared from the roadside by one of our contractors only one week after the storm hit.

Road work had to take a huge delay because of the storms but will resume 10/16/24.

Now that the storm is gone, and much has been repaired, it is our job as residents to clean up our homes, remove debris, and do our best to help put our places back in compliance with the community rules.

Thanks to all the contributions to this unbelievable quick turnaround of the park! OH STRONG, Butch Chambers

Orange Harbor Co-op Board of Directors President





#### 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.

#### **III. THE MANUFACTURED HOME**

1. Manufactured homes shall be attractively maintained and comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations of state, county, or community as from time to time amended. The resident shall submit to management an application to install a new home indicating all required information. The maximum length and the optimum position on the lot will be determined upon examination of the site by management.

2. All plans for construction or exterior decorating or finishes must first be submitted to management for written approval before proceeding with the construction. No items are to be stored or left sitting outside the home except furniture specifically designed for outdoor use. Detached buildings are not permitted. aluminum products must be new material and must comply with local building codes. No home appurtenances, accessories or add-ons are to look unfinished or homemade.

3. No building, structure, installation, or other improvements shall be placed on any Lot until the plans have been approved by management. Plans may be disapproved solely based on aesthetic standards established at the discretion of the Co-op. All work conducted by either the resident or a licensed contractor must meet current governmental regulations and required permits must be obtained.

4. Manufactured home ties-downs and blocking must comply with all applicable government laws, ordinances, and regulations.

5. All contractors must be licensed and have a valid proof of liability and workman's compensation insurance to conduct work in the community.

6. All manufactured homes within the community must meet, at any time and from time to time, then current community established standards respecting the maintenance of the manufactured home, fire standards, health standards, and all other standards as further imposed respecting the manufacture of manufactured homes by federal and state agencies inclusive of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

7. No manufactured home shall be removed or brought into the community without the prior approval of management. Any resident intending to remove their manufactured home from the community must give the Co-op thirty (30) day notice in writing prior thereto. The resident shall remain responsible for either the Co-op Fee or rental fee until their manufactured home has either been sold or re-conveyed to the Co-op.

8. Management reserves the right to enter a manufactured home after the resident's prior written consent has been obtained or to prevent imminent danger to an occupant of the manufactured home or the manufactured home, without liability. Such consent may be revoked in writing by the Resident at any time. Management has the right to enter onto the lot for purposes of repair and replacement of utilities and protection of the community at all reasonable times, but not in such manner as to interfere unreasonably with the resident's quiet enjoyment of the lot.

9. No window air conditioners are permitted in front of the manufactured home or facing the street.



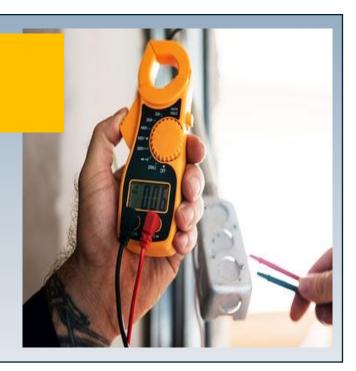
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#### **Swimming Pool**

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 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.

#### <u>Boat Ramps</u>

We have two boats 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.

#### 5 Things Boaters Never Maintain, But Should

A well-maintained boat is a happy boat. Most of us who've been on the water for more than a few years pay strict attention to our maintenance routines. But boats have lots of parts, and they're constantly exposed to the elements, doused with water, or fried by the sun. Miss the maintenance on a moving part and there's a good chance that, sooner or later, it will cease moving altogether. Here are five commonly ignored items that should be on your list of maintenance chores.

- Gas-assist struts-The struts that make it easy to raise and lower your deck hatches are often advertised as "maintenance-free." And it's true that the gas-filled piston isn't meant to be disassembled or even repaired. However, you can extend that life by simply keeping them clean. Wipe the strut with a clean cloth and rinse the entire unit with freshwater every now and again, especially if it's been exposed to saltwater.
- 2. **Screws**-Have you ever found a screw rolling around on your deck and wonder where the heck did that come from? At least once or twice a season, grab a screwdriver, put it on every screw you can find, and tighten up all that are loose.
- 3. Snaps-One would think that a simple snap could be ignored, well maybe, but if you struggle to get those snaps on and off, you could pull one out of the fiberglass or canvas. Annual maintenance will help. There are plenty of dedicated snap lubricants on the market, but any standard-issue silicone or Teflon lube will do the trick. Dabbing on a bit of wax as you wax your boat works fine, too.
- 4. Steering and tilt mechanisms-If your boat has one or more outboards, chances are the engines turn in a swivel bearing (also called a swivel bracket) and/or through a steering bracket. These may be the least well-maintained parts of the average outboard owner's power system because many boaters never even realize that there are Zerk fittings back there and you need to hit them with grease. If the

bearing or bracket fails, it's catastrophic because you can't turn the motor anymore. And replacing it usually requires pulling the motor off the boat, so it can be very expensive.

5. **Zippers**-Ever wonder why your boat's zippers are so darn tough to use? Like snaps, misbehaving zippers are something we all tend to deal with via an application of force which can lead to damage. You can get zipper lubricant and some of the snap lubes out there are dualpurpose. Or you can use an old seafarer's trick and simply rub a wax candle up and down the zipper.

**Bonus tip**- Plastic parts exposed to the sun need maintenance too. To protect it, use a dedicated plastic cleaner/restorer. It will shine and seal the plastic without any inadvertent damage.

#### What is Veterans Day?

Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is a federal holiday in the U.S. observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are commemorated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of WWI. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is distinct from Memorial Day, a U.S. public holiday in May. Veterans Day commemorated the service of all U.S. veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who have died while in military service.





#### Do Not Put FROG Into the Drain!

Help us prevent fats, rags, oils and grease clog/blockages in the sewer system. Raw or partially treated sewage can back up into homes or flow into the streets, rivers, and bay. Do not put the

following items down the drain: 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.
- 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

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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!

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\*Includes unit & heater, anchored to existing slab & electric. (New Slab, Duct work, stand, duct cover etc. at additional cost)



Come join Orange Harbor's "Coffee Hour" at 9 a.m. in the clubhouse every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 signup 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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! There are only 2 things that can be flushed down the toilet when you live in a community with lift station waste disposal systems like we have. Those are 1) human waste and 2) toilet tissue. Do not put wipes in the pipes or pour grease down the drain either. That is also not good for the system and leads to very costly repairs.

#### **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.

Next meeting is November 12, 2024, at Orange Harbor Mobile Home and RV Resort. 5749 Palm Beach Blvd., Ft. Myers, FL 33905 Orangeharbormhc.com 239-694-3707

#### Water Aerobics



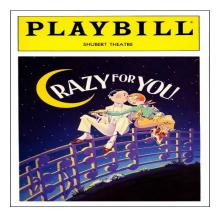
Join us Monday-Friday at 9 a.m. for water aerobics in the swimming pool.

#### **Power Walking Class**



Join Sue Steiner Monday-Friday at 8-9am for power walking classes in the clubhouse. There are 20 Leslie Sansone Power Walking DVD's. Join us for a good upper and lower body

workout. You don't have to do the whole workout, just do what you can...1 mile, 2 miles, 3 miles. Contact Sue at 920-810-0571 for more information.



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 matinee at a cost of \$85 per person. Any questions, text Betty West at 207-404-3030.



**Foxy Ladies** meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Please contact Nancy Shepers 812-613-0846 for more information

#### **Hobbies and Crafts**

Please watch the Orange Harbor Friends Facebook page for announcements about Hobbies and Crafts. Since the surge from Hurricane Milton decided to visit our park, I don't know what activities are being put on hold. We did have a schedule of projects, etc., planned for November, December, and so on, but those may be moved to different dates. When we return to a regular schedule (Tuesdays 9-11), I will post things on the OH Facebook page and the Clubhouse, RV Bathroom, and laundry bulletin boards.

#### Sue Steiner

1/18/25 set-up Used Fashion Sale 10-6 1/19/25 Used Fashion Sale 10-1 2/11/25 Used Clothing Style Show 2/15/25 Set up for Spring Craft Bazaar 2/16/25 Spring Craft Bazaar

\*Please note that the group would like to have participants bring their sewing machines again as done in previous years.



The Orange Harbor Art Club begins November 4, 2024, from 12-3pm. The club meets every Monday 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.

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





**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 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### Dominoes & Mexican Train is held every

**Thursday at 6pm.** We hope you can join us then for these great large group games.

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

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#### Happiness is yelling, "BINGO"!

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



Bunco is starting again on Thursday, Nov. 7 at 1:00 pm in the clubhouse. If you're not familiar with it, Bunco is a fun, fast-paced game played with dice. Players are broken up into teams of 4, with each person taking turns trying to get 3of-a-kind to match the number of the round and acquiring points in the process. But watch out - if you should happen to roll three 3s that is a "frog" & you & your partner loses ALL your points.



#### Pickleball Improves Memory

What's the score? Who just served? Were you 1 or 2?

So, let's get our brain and body working together and join us on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10-11am in the clubhouse parking lot. Bring water and tennis shoes!

#### Pickleball, it's the real dill!

**Euchre** is every Wednesday at 6pm. Bob and Phyllis Cochran will be the new activity chair. There will be an informal meeting on November 6 at 6pm in the clubhouse. Please join them!



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#### Do You Have What It Takes to Be a Good Samaritan?

Good Samaritan-one who voluntarily renders aid to another in distress although under no duty to do so. The expression "Good Samaritan" is commonly used to describe a person who acts to help others who are in need.

A Good Samaritan/neighbor demonstrates compassion by action. He or she responds to the needs of a person who is suffering-regardless of that person's background, race, or nationality. A genuine Samaritan/neighbor acts toward others as he would like to be treated himself.

#### 10 Ways to be a Good Samaritan

- Create hygiene bags to give out to the homeless when you see them on the side of the street. You could put things such as toothpaste, a toothbrush, deodorant, mouthwash, floss, soap and baby wipes in the bag.
- 2. Go grocery shopping for an elderly neighbor. Sometimes our grandparents and elderly neighbors have a hard time walking through the store. Take an hour out of your day to go get some essentials like bread, milk, eggs, fruits, and veggies and meat for them.
- 3. Stand up against bullying. When you see someone bullying another person in public, at school, or at work, say something. There is power in numbers. There is a way to do it, so you don't engage in petty arguments or get dragged into drama, but don't let another person be bullied on your watch.
- 4. Tutor a student who is struggling. Finding volunteers to help people of all ages learn to read can be difficult, in most states. Try googling 'literacy' and your city and state to see places you can volunteer.
- 5. Become a mentor to someone by signing up to be a Big Brother or Sister. Many Big Brothers and Big Sisters also see growth in themselves for being a mentor to someone else.
- 6. Help a neighbor take care of their yard. Sometimes we have a neighbor who is either disabled, elderly, or a single parent who struggles to manage their yard work.

Brainstorm how you can help take care of a practical need.

- 7. Drop off bus passes at a local school. Some students struggle to get to school every day because they can't drive them to school. If you drop off bus passes at a school office, the front office staff can offer it to students who are in need of public transportation help.
- 8. Donate blood. Many local blood banks are operating at a shortage. Did you know that one single blood donation has the potential to help up to four people? Something you take for granted may be the answer to a stranger's health concern.
- 9. Volunteer at a homeless shelter. Shelters can always use extra hands whether it is handing out food or helping prepare food. It can be a very humbling experience for young adults and kids to learn about generosity. Believe it or not, holidays are usually the most likely time for volunteers to sign up. So, call your local shelter and find out when they are in need of an extra hand.
- **10. Be an Angel.** Around the holidays, find a family in need. You can help put food on the table for the holiday and even help with gifts or basic necessities for their children.

Give thanks for each new morning with its light,

For rest and shelter of the night.

For health and food,

For love and friends.

For everything they goodness sends.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### **Online Shopping Scams**

With the holiday season fast approaching, be on the lookout for scams. Online shopping scams involve scammers pretending to be legitimate online sellers, either with a fake website or a fake ad on a genuine retailer site. While many online sellers are legitimate, unfortunately scammers can use the anonymous nature of the internet to rip off unsuspecting shoppers.

Scammers use the latest technology to set up fake retailer websites that look like genuine online retail stores. They may use sophisticated designs and layouts, possibly stolen logos, and even a domain name similar to an authentic retailer. Many of these websites offer luxury items such as popular brands of clothing, jewelry and electronics at very low prices. Sometimes you will receive the item you paid for. More likely than not, if you receive anything, it will be a knockoff of the item you thought you purchased. Other times you will receive nothing at all.

The biggest tip-off that a retail website is a scam is the method of payment. Scammers will often ask you to pay using a money order, pre-loaded money card or wire transfer, but if you send your money this way, it's unlikely you will see it again or receive your purchased item.

A newer version of online shopping scams involves the use of social media platforms to set up fake online stores. Scammers open the store for a short time, often selling fake branded clothing or jewelry. After making a number of sales, the stores disappear. Scammers also use social media to advertise their fake website, so do not trust a site just because you have seen it advertised or shared on social media. The best way to detect a fake trader or social media online shopping scam is to search for reviews before purchasing.

#### Warning Signs

- A product is advertised at an unbelievably low price or advertised to have amazing benefits or features that sound too good to be true.
- The other party insists on immediate payment, or payment by electronic funds transfer or a wire service. They may insist that you pay upfront for vouchers before you can access a cheap deal or a giveaway.

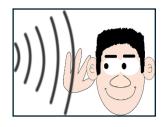
- The social media based store is very new and selling products at very low prices. The store may have limited information about delivery and other policies.
- An online retailer does not provide adequate information about privacy, terms and conditions of use, dispute resolution or contact details. The seller may be based overseas, or the seller does not allow payment through a secure payment service such as PayPal or a credit card transaction.

#### **Protect Yourself**

- Check if the website or social media page has a refund or returns policy, and that their policies sound fair. The better online shopping and auction sites have detailed complaint or dispute handling processes in case something goes wrong.
- When using retail websites, find out exactly who you are dealing with. Research the retailer and know if you are dealing with a domestic or foreign entity and if the items you are ordering will be shipped from overseas.
- When making online payments, only pay for items using a secure payment service — look for a URL starting with "https" and a closed padlock symbol, or a payment provider such as PayPal. Think twice before using virtual currencies such as bitcoin — they do not have the same protections as other transaction methods, so you can't get your money back once you send it.
- Avoid any arrangement with a stranger that asks for up-front payment via money order, wire transfer, international funds transfer, pre-loaded card or electronic currency, like Bitcoin. It is rare to recover money sent this way. Never send money or give credit card or online account details to anyone you don't know or trust.

#### Do You Think You Have Been Scammed?

Report suspected scams to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by filing a complaint or contact your financial institution.



#### Say What?

Hearing loss isn't just a thing that happens to your parents. Nearly one in five people in their 20's show

signs of it already. And it puts your brain and well-being in danger, too. An estimated 15 percent of American adults-that's about 38 million people-have some levels of hearing loss, according to the CDC. Research increasingly suggests that untreated hearing loss can lead to other significant health issues, including depression and Alzheimer's disease.

Among 20-to 69-year-olds, men are almost twice as likely as women to have trouble hearing. The World Health Organization says 1 billion young adults are at risk of permanent, avoidable hearing loss due to "unsafe listening practices," like top-volume clubs, concerts, and sound from their own earbuds.

But here's the irony: While we're used to having things in our ears, roughly 60 percent of seniors say they don't wear a hearing aid because they fear others will view them as elderly and disabled.

Stereocilia are tiny hairlike cells in the spiral-shaped cochlea of the inner ear that bend in response to sound waves, triggering a signal to the brain for processing. These hairs wear down over time, especially with loud sounds, to the point that they can't respond to soft tones. People who need a hearing aid will wait an average of ten years before getting help for their hearing trouble. That's a mistake, because Cilia can't come back, and you'll need sounds to be louder and thus damaging. The resulting hearing loss may increase the risk of dementia.

First, find out how much you can (or can't) hear. Free apps like Mimi, SonicCloud, JacotiListen give you a hearing score. If you have a mild to moderate problem, consider an over-the-counter hearing device. Most hearing aids today are inconspicuous (to the point of being nearly invisible), high-tech, and easy to wear.

#### In Loving Memory...

**Stephen Thomas "Steve" Gagnon**, 74, of North Fort Myers, Fl., passed away on September 10, 2024, at

Hope Hospice in Cape Coral, Fl.

Born September 18, 1949, in Dayton, Ohio, Steve grew up in Dayton, Lima, Mansfield and Wooster, Ohio, where he attended Wooster High School and met his future wife, Sandra. He graduated from Wooster High School in 1967. He served his state and country for six years as a member of the Ohio Army National Guard, earning the rank of First Lieutenant. He attended Kent State University and later the University of Akron, where he earned associate and bachelor's degrees in mechanical engineering. He worked as an engineer at Rubbermaid in Wooster, Ohio; Betz Entec in Horsham, Pa.; and was co-owner of Global Chem-Feed Solutions, LLC, in Warminster, Pa., for nine years.

Steve earned his private pilot's license in 1980. He went on to earn his instrument, multi-engine, commercial and flight instructor ratings. Flying and teaching people to fly was his life's passion. He served in the Civil Air Patrol as a Captain for close to 10 years. Over the last 20 years of his life, he could be found working at home or at his hangar building his Cozy experimental aircraft. He was an active member of his local Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) chapter in Fort Myers, most recently serving as its president and working to raise funds for the chapter to build a new hangar.

Steve was the beloved husband to Sandra Gagnon for 54 years. Together they enjoyed life and set an example for others to emulate. He was also a loving father to his children, Heidi and Tom, and took an active role in his kids' lives and activities. Steve was always kind and cheerful to everyone he met and greeted others with a smile and his sunny disposition. Steve made a positive impact on the world and everyone who was blessed to know him.

Survivors are his wife, Sandra (nee Butdorf) Gagnon of North Fort Myers, Fl., daughter Heidi (Bill) Griesmer of Hilliard, Ohio, daughter-in-law Margaret (nee Spencer) Gagnon of Wooster, Ohio, brothers James (Beth), William (Marcia), and Timothy Gagnon, and grandchildren Ryan (Liz) and Devin Griesmer. Steve is preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Wanda (nee Votaw) Gagnon, brother David Gagnon and son Thomas.





## **Roseate Spoonbills**

Roseate Spoonbills (Ajaia ajaja) are one of the most beloved birds in Florida. Birders and researchers from around the world visit Florida for the chance to see Roseate Spoonbills. Roseate Spoonbills are members of the Ibis family. They hunt, forage, and socialize together and often live in colonies of 100 pairs of birds. Roseate Spoonbills are beautiful when viewed from afar, but take on a bizarre appearance when viewed up-close, or in fine detail. Still, they are beautiful and graceful in their own way.

Adult Roseate Spoonbills have bright red/pink shoulders. Their underwings are also pink. They are often mistakenly identified as flamingos because of their pink coloration. Juveniles are also pink, but their coloration is less vibrant.

Roseate Spoonbills were almost hunted to extinction in the past. Along with other birds of Florida, spoonbills were hunted for their feathers, or plumage, which were used in women's hats, fans, and other fashions. The birds were only saved from extinction thanks to the Audubon Society, which pressured states to stop the plumage trade in the years around 1910. The protective laws helped reduce demand for the feathers, which helped bird populations recover. At the worst of the crisis there were only about 100 surviving pairs of spoonbills in the United States. As late as 1930 there were only 500 nesting pairs observed. Today Roseate Spoonbills in Florida are designated as a "Species of Special Concern."

#### Habitat

Roseate Spoonbills have a relatively diverse habitat range. Roseate Spoonbills are found along the coastlines of South Florida, from the southern islands of the Florida Keys, Florida Bay and Everglades, and as far north as Tampa. Roseate Spoonbills are also found throughout the coastal Gulf of Mexico region, as far east as Texas and northeast Mexico. Roseate Spoonbills have specific nesting and habitat preferences. Protected lands in Everglades National Park and Florida Bay provide ideal conditions for spoonbills, especially areas with dense mangroves, offshore islands and marshland. Spoonbills especially prefer islands because their nests are kept safe from predators, like racoons. Roseate Spoonbills are vulnerable to environmental impact, especially habitat loss, water pollution and other impacts of coastal development.

#### Diet

Roseate Spoonbills feed on many forms of wildlife:

- Crabs
- Crayfish
- Aquatic Insects
- Mollusks
- Minnows and Small Fish
- Shrimp



Roseate Spoonbills have highly specialized fishing techniques, and highly adapted physiology for their hunting style. They forage in shallow water, including fresh, brackish and saltwater environments. They are usually found in lagoons, wetlands, bays, mangrove forests and swamp forests. Spoonbills dip their bills into shallow water and mud. Their bills are equipped with sensitive receptors which can detect prey. When they detect prey their bills snap shut suddenly.

(P.S. I would be remiss to not write about the Roseate Spoonbill for it is my second most favorite bird to the flamingo!)

#### Top 10 Energy Savings Ideas from FP&L

#### 1. Adjust Your Thermostat

- Set your thermostat to 78° or the highest temperature where you can still be comfortable while you are home and 82° F when you're away. Each degree you raise your thermostat between 75° – 78° can save you 3-5% on your monthly cooling costs. That's a lot when cooling makes up approximately 60% of your bill!
- Bonus savings: <u>Save up to \$2,150 with FPL</u> <u>rebates and federal tax credits</u> when you upgrade to an energy-efficient A/C unit.

#### 2. Refresh Your Air Filter

 Replace or clean your air filter regularly for cleaner air and a more efficient heating and cooling system. When you get your FPL bill, use it as a reminder to change your filter.

#### 3. Be a Fan of Your Fan

 Turn off your ceiling fan when you leave the room. A fan that runs all the time could cost more than \$7 a month. The "wind chill" effect cools people, not rooms.

#### 4. Use Hot Water Wisely

 The second-largest energy user in your home is usually your water heater. Lowering the temperature from 140° to 120° could save 3 to 5% on your energy costs.

#### 5. Limit the time you run your pool pump:

- We recommend you limit the run time to:
- Summer six hours a day
- Winter four hours a day
- By maintaining your pool's cleanliness, water clarity and chemical levels, you may be able to reduce your pool pump's run time and save up to \$100 per year.

#### 6. Load smart to wash and dry efficiently

• Washer: Adjust the water level on your washing machine to match the load size, choose the cold rinse whenever possible and try to wash full

loads. It takes as much energy to wash a single item as it takes to wash a full load.

 Dryer: Use the auto sensor function on your dryer to conserve energy by not over-drying your clothes and clean the lint filter in your dryer before every load to dry your clothes faster.

#### 7. Cool coil care for your refrigerator

- The refrigerator/freezer is the third largest energy user in your home. Dust and dirt on refrigerator coils make it work harder. Vacuum or brush coils every 6 months to maintain peak efficiency.
- An extra refrigerator that is hardly used can add up to \$100 a year in energy costs.

#### 8. Use precision cooking with small appliances

 Consider using a microwave, toaster oven, air fryer, or other small appliance instead of the oven whenever possible. These use about onethird the power of an oven broiler.

#### 9. Let the star be your guide

 Look for ENERGY STAR-labeled electronics or appliances. Newer ENERGY STAR models meet stricter requirements and use anywhere from 10 to 50 percent less energy each year.

#### 10. Unplug energy phantoms

- Many electronics continue to draw power even when they appear to be "off. "These phantom energy users can account for up to 5-10% of monthly residential electricity use.
- Consolidate plugs by using power strips and switching them off when not in use. This will help reduce phantom loads and can help save up to \$100 a year.



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.

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## BroadStar

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#### 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. 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
Activity	Sunday	wonday	Tuesday	weatesday	marsaay	Thuay	Saturday		April 2024 -	Jan 2025 -
Men's Golf League					7:30am			Kim F	Dec 2024	Mar 2025
					,				April 1, 2024	
									- Oct 15	Oct 15, 2024 -
Exercise DVD		8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am		Sue S	2024	Mar 31 2025
								Sharon M /		•
Water Aerobics		9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am		Barbara H	Year	Round
				9:00am,					May 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Pool/Billiards League		9:00am		6:00pm				Bob Coats	Oct 2024	April 2025
									April 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Hobbies and Crafts			9:00am					Sue S	Oct 2024	Mar 2025
									April 2024 -	Jan 2025 -
Line Dance					9:00am			Caryn N	Dec 2024	Mar 2025
									May 2024 -	Jan 2025 -
Horseshoes			9:00am					Richard J	Dec 2024	April 2025
									May 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Pickle Ball		10:00am		10:00am		10:00am		Midge	Oct 2024	April 2025
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Bocce Ball		10:00am						Marlene	Nov 2024	Mar 2025
									May 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Shuffleboard					10:00am			Pat Joyce	Oct 2024	April 2025
									May 2024 -	Jan 2025 -
Ladies Golf League		10:30am						Sharon M	Dec 2024	April 2025
									July 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Bible Reading		10:30am						Tim	Oct 2024	June 2025
Mahiong				11:00am				Kay Evens	Year	Round
Mahjong					+				May 2024 -	Nov 2024 -
Art Club		12:30pm						Mary Anne K	Oct 2024	April 2025
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Bunco					1:00pm			Betty West	Oct 2024	April 2025
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Corn Hole			1:30pm		Sue P	Oct 2024	April 2025
	5:30pm		5:30pm		Dolly T	Year F	Round
Hand, Knee, Foot							
Dominoes /							
Mexican Train				6:00pm	Jan S	Year F	Round
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Euchre			6:00pm		Ken S	Oct 2024	April 2025
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Pinochle				6:00pm	Mary Anne K	Oct 2024	April 2025
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Cribbage				6:00pm	Dolly J	Dec 2024	Mar 2025



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### **15 Fun Thanksgiving Facts**

- 1. Historians have no record of turkey being eaten at the first Thanksgiving.
- 2. Benjamin Franklin wished the turkey was the national bird.
- 3. The first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade had Central Park Zoo animals.
- 4. Snoopy has made the most appearances in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.
- 5. The first professional Thanksgiving Day football game was played in 1920.
- 6. Thanksgiving was once celebrated on the third Thursday in November.
- 7. President George H. W. Bush was the first to pardon a turkey.
- 8. President Calvin Coolidge was the first to pardon a raccoon in relation to Thanksgiving.
- 9. Black Friday, aka the day after Thanksgiving, is the busiest day for plumbers.
- 10. Buffalo, NY was the first city to host a Turkey Trot.
- 11. "Jingle Bells" was originally a Thanksgiving Day song.
- 12. Butterball has had a Turkey Talk-Line for nearly 40 years.
- 13. 46 million turkeys are cooked each year.
- 14. The Wednesday before Thanksgiving is known as "Drinksgiving".
- 15. Turkey's tryptophan doesn't actually make you tired.



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#### Meet Your Neighbors...Sheran & Ernie



We are Ernie and Sheran Little and we have been married for 26 years. We are both New Englanders-a rarity in Orange Harbor. I was born in CT and Ernie is a Vermonter. Before marrying Ernie, I moved 12 times and since our marriage another 7 times. Ernie worked for the city of Burlington, VT when Bernie Sanders was the mayor and then managed the airport in Burlington. He moved to CT and managed the airport Groton/New London. He then made a career change and bought a 48' lobster boat and tried commercial fishing. He decided on another career change and followed his love of cooking. He owned a catering business with locations in RI and NY. From there he hired on to work at Golf Clubs and that is where we met. He managed courses in CT and then NY where we lived. In 2008 we were both homesick for New England, so Ernie left the club industry and worked as the property manager for Girl Scouts of South Eastern New England. He retired from there in 2018.

I went to a small girl's college in Nashua NH and received my BBA with a major in accounting. I worked my whole professional life in hospitality accounting. I worked in hotels, restaurants and conference centers. I have lived in CT, MA, NH, ME, RI and NY.

Ernie is a very creative individual. He is a master wood carver and specializes in waterfowl. The first carving that he gave me I think hurt his feelings because I asked him if it came from a kit. I had no idea someone could take a block of wood and carve something so beautiful. He is also quite a chef and does all of the cooking in the house. However, he does not know how to cook for two. An intimate dinner for two can feed twelve.

I love to read and sew and knit. I ran a half marathon at Walt Disney World in 2012. Hardest thing I have ever done (other than childbirth). We have two children, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Our grandson is a nuclear engineer in the Navy and is on the USS George Washington heading to Japan. Our granddaughter is in the Air Force and was deployed yesterday to Africa.

We came here to visit my cousin, Larry Lose and fell in love with the community. We bought our home in Orange Harbor in October 2021. We spend our summers in Rhode Island.

We absolutely love it here. Heaven.

# Annual boat slips are available. Please contact the office.

The Orange River is an "Idle" zone river all season long.

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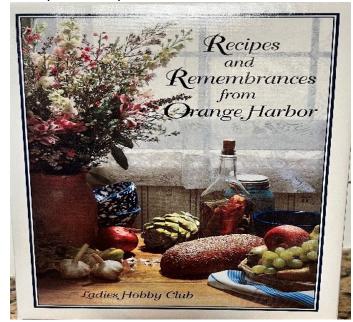
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After cleaning out some closets I came across a cookbook that came from the "Ladies Hobby Club" published in 2006. The book is called "Recipes and Remembrances from Orange Harbor. The sweet woman I purchased my house from over 10 years ago left this 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 Ap



#### Crockpot Macaroni & Cheese By Earlene Murat

8oz. dry elbow macaroni, cooked
1 (13 oz.) can evaporated milk
1 ½ cup milk
2 eggs, beaten
1 tsp. salt
¼ tsp. pepper
½ tsp. dry mustart (optional)
Onion to taste, chopped
3 to 4 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese, divided
Thin slices of cheese for top (optional)

Combine all ingredients, except 1 cup cheese, in a greased crockpot. Sprinkle reserved cup of cheese on top. Cover. Cook on low 3 to 4 hours. Do not remove the lide or stir until the mixture has finished cooking.

#### **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 November 22, 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 November 23, 2024 after coffee & donuts.** 



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Meet **Maggie!** She is a Sweeney which is a cross between a Shih Tzu and Dachsund and she is 14 years old. I live with my mom and dad, Heather and Tim, at 157 Sun Circle. My mom likes to call me Maggie Mae. I was born in Tekonsha, Mi. The best

part of living in Michigan was playing in the snow. We moved to Florida in 2021 where I've learned to sleep on the A/C vents. I'm very hot natured! I'm super laid back and I've never been in a fight, except this one time when I was walking by my cat brother and he slapped me in the face for no reason. If you drive by my house in your golf cart and you see me outside I will probably jump in and ask for a ride along. I love golf carting! I also have a cousin who's name is Buddy and he lives with Renee and Billy Roberts.

#### 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! 1. Pick up and dispose of dog waste in YOUR trash or in the dog waste receptacles at the dog park. 2. Always keep your dog on a leash and walk them on the road. 3. Do not allow your dog to walk, defecate, or urinate in other resident's yards or RV sites. 4. Dogs must always be accompanied by an owner, when outside a residence or RV. 5. You must keep your dog under control, especially around other dogs, and pedestrians. 6.Underthe noise ordinance, excessive barking is considered a nuisance to other residents; inside or outside a residence. 7. 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.

Please remember to keep your pets on a leash and please keep pets off the picnic tables in the pavilion and gypsy haul. Unfortunately, this has happened too often. Only food and drink are to be used on the tables.

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



#### Lee County, Florida dog laws

- All cats, dogs, and ferrets over four months old must be vaccinated against rabies and licensed by Lee County.
- Dogs must be on a leash that does not exceed 8 feet in length and wear a collar with a valid county license attached.
- Dogs are not permitted in certain areas like playgrounds, ballfields, and indoor buildings.
- Pets cannot be fastened, chained, or tethered to trees, buildings, fences, or posts.

#### **Poem: Silent Conversations**

Your eyes, a mirror to my soul, In silent talks, we both feel whole. With every wag, a comforting sigh, Together, we laugh, together we cry. You sense my pain without a word, In your gentle presence, I'm reassured. Through thick and thin, we stand as one, In every heartbeat, my love you've won.

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**Zoom Etiquette** 

Zoom meetings are now a staple in our day-to-day lives and show no signs of going away. Reliable, easy-to-use video platforms like Zoom have helped to restore the ability to hold meetings during difficult times. The challenges and benefits of Zoom meetings can be much different than in-person meetings. The advantage of virtual meetings is the ability to hold them almost anywhere and have more people participate from anywhere, but there are dos and don'ts associated with participating in a Zoom meeting.

#### ✓ 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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Music Walk is every 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.



The boat club will meet on November 2, 2024 at 9am. We have scheduled to have charter boat captain Dalton Outlaw (her real name) speak about backwater fishing around Ft. Myers Beach. Several Orange Harbor folks have used her in the past and it has been quite an experience. Be sure to join us and if you are not a member you can always become one!

#### **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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# 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 clubs 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 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of those months.

For more information:

Boat Club- Jim Robinson – Commodore 815-353-7280 <u>litehouse@pga.com</u>

#### **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 the first Saturday of each month and start immediately after the 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. Vicki Deutscher, President First Mates-219-851-0901 vickideutscher@yahoo.com

We don't call it homesickness. We call it missing home. There's not a sickness involved, it's a state of mind. Luckily, paradise is always waiting! We will be waiting for you to return and get the next "season" started. Here are some of the many activities that your Social Committee is already planning for 2024-2025...

- Halloween party
- Margarita Day Party
- Pasta Dinner
- Dueling Pianos
- White Elephant
- Mardi Gras Celebration
- Chili Dinner
- Block Party with Jumpin' Fences
- Christmas golf cart & boat parades
- Community Yard Sale
- New Years Eve Party
- Reuben Sandwich Dinner
- Park Sale
- Art Show
- Fish Fry
- Music in the Pavilion
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- Pool Parties
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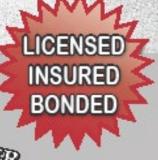




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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	No	ovember 2	2024		1	2 8am All Park Breakfast 9am BC/FM meeting	
3	4 4pm Social Club meeting	5 6:30 Dingo	6	7	8 5pm Pasta Dinner	9 9am Coffee & Donuts	
10	11 Veteran's Day Event TBD	12 9am OURROC Meeting 11:30 Mimosa Belles 6:30pm Bingo	13	14 11:30am Foxy Ladies	15 8am Blood Drive	16 8am All Park Breakfast	
17	18	19 6:30 Dingo	20	21	22 9am CO-OP Meeting	23 9am Coffee & Donuts 10am Town Hall Meeting	
24	25 9:30am Boat Club Trip	26 6:30 Bingo	27	28 Happy Thanksgiving!	29	30 8am All Park Breakfast 10am Put up Christmas decorations	

#### Weekly Activities

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