



MARION LANDING

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Homeowner Forum

Tuesday, February 5 @ 9 AM

Board Meeting

Friday, February 15 @ 9 AM

(All meetings in Lifestyle Center)

BOARD NOTES *by Gordon Herrick, President*

The property along SW 65th Avenue Road from the Guard House to SR 200 is called the "commercial property" in our documents. The Emmer Corporation, our former developer, owns this property. There are 10.53 acres on the east side of the street and 4.24 acres on the west side of the street.

The Board of Directors became aware in December that the commercial property was being surveyed for development. We decided to become proactive instead of reactive and began organizing so we would be able to respond to this development. I have asked Board members Bob Fink and Bill Wurst, along with Past President Joe Raffony and Deeann Welch, our CAM, to monitor activity on the commercial property and inform the Board. We asked for a meeting with Len Taber, from Enviro-Masters, to ascertain what additional load our water and wastewater facilities could take. I asked our attorney to review our documents and advise us on our responsibilities and rights when the commercial property is developed.

The Board of Directors will meet our responsibility to the developer and protect the interest of the Marion Landing residents. Our documents are very specific about what our responsibilities and rights are when the commercial property is developed. Our responsibility is to provide water and wastewater utilities to the commercial property. Our rights are:

- If our water and wastewater facilities cannot handle the additional load that the commercial property would add to our utilities, we can deny them hook-up.
- The developer of the commercial property must pay for any changes to our utilities that are made to accommodate the new load to the systems.
- An engineer, paid for by the developer and approved by us, must draw up the plans for any hook-up to our system and we must approve the plan.
- All businesses on the commercial property must be metered when they hook into our system.
- We may charge the businesses on the commercial property the same rate as charged by the City of Ocala or any other utility company in Marion County.

The commercial property will be developed and that development will affect Marion Landing. The Board of Directors will meet our responsibilities to the developer, but will expend most of our energy in protecting the interest of the Marion Landing residents. I believe that our documents do a very good job of protecting the rights of the Association of Marion Landing Owners, Inc. We will keep you informed as the process unfolds.



HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY!



DEADLINE for March *Communicator* articles – February 18 – 5 PM
March Editors: Connie Rowe & Gloria Wilberg

Community Association Manager

by Deeann Welch

Email: dwelch@lelandmanagement.com

Decorations Though the Holidays

I would like to thank the Decorating Committee for once again doing an outstanding job on our Christmas decorations...everything looked just wonderful. I would like to remind everyone that we are looking for some more people to help with the decorations this year. If you are interested, please give me a call. Thank you to Eric for helping me decorate the Administration Office and especially for taking them down too. Thanks to all of the homeowners who decorated their homes and yards; it helped set Marion Landing apart from many other communities who did not decorate as much this past year.

Christmas Gifts

I would like to express my gratitude for your generosity during the Christmas season. Thank you for all of the Christmas presents, gift cards, and cookies. I enjoyed them all so very much. I also want to thank the homeowners who helped my son when their house burned down before Christmas. The insurance company is finally going to cut them a check this week, so they may start over again. Marion Landing is such a caring and wonderful community.

Leaving Outside Lights on Discourages Crime

There are about 40 homes in Marion Landing that do not have their post lights on at night. This makes for some very dark areas throughout the community. As you know, once criminals find an area that is an easy target, they return many times to the same area. Please remember to turn your post light on and help us to keep Marion Landing a little brighter.

Improving Marion Landing Together

Please remember to wait until 5 PM the day before garbage pick up to move your garbage and yard waste to the roadside. After the garbage man has picked up the garbage, your can should be promptly put away in back of your house or in your garage. Garbage cans should not be permanently stored at the front of your property. It is only natural to disagree with certain sections of the documents, but there are also many great advantages of living in a deed-restricted community. A deed-restricted community is an excellent place for people to live who do not want to have disagreements with their neighbors on what they should or should not do. This is done for you by having a set of standards to live by. Thanks for your help on improving Marion Landing together.

Homeowners who park their cars in the driveway rather than in their garage should be aware of a problem that could occur. Since we have had some cold weather recently,

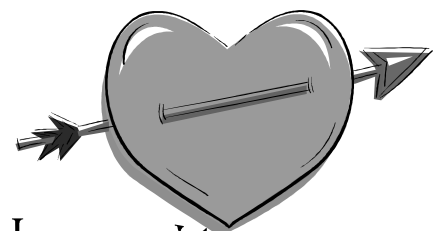
wild animals such as mice will try to look for a warm place to build a nest. This warm place could be under the hood of your car. As they build their nests, they may chew through gas lines and wires, which could cause serious damage to your house or your vehicle. Three vehicles in Marion Landing have had this problem already. If you park in your driveway instead of your garage, please check your car for twigs, debris, and chewed wires periodically. I have had a few complaints about putting this message on the phone tree. The phone message and this article were not to scare you, but to inform you. If we did not inform you and your car broke down along the road, you would resent that we did not take the time to alert you.

Clean Your Roofs & Power Wash Your Homes

When you first move into your house you look for ways to make it look nice; and as the years go by, it is easy to walk in without even noticing that your house sign is faded, your roof needs cleaning, and your house needs pressure washing. In the next few months, you may want to pressure wash your house or your roof since you do not need as much water for your yard. Pressure washing in the summer months, when your yard needs lots of water, can cause you to have a high water bill. Give your house a face lift by cleaning it up. You will be surprised how wonderful it makes you feel about your home again. If your sign is faded and you need a new one, please come to the Administration Office and order one; they are only \$28 and last for many years. If you have a homemade or temporary sign, please come to the Administration Office and order the correct sign.

Pool and Spa

The pool, spa, and deck have a new face lift and they look wonderful! Take a glimpse the next time you are at the Lifestyle Center. I know you will be as excited as I am to have Marion Landing preserved in a way that you can be proud of. After the cold weather has passed, we will finish the pool deck with some new landscape and planting pots.



Happy Valentine's Day



Message From Your S & R Committee

by Jerry Wood

We are one month into the New Year, and your S & R committee is complete and looking forward to a productive year. The committee members are: Ethel Taragna, Ed DeMaux, Lorraine Rusch, Val Spencer, Ken Talbert and Pat Smith. Much was accomplished by last year's committee in the consolidation and revision of the policies and procedures that guide the social and recreational events in Marion Landing. While there will always be fine tuning of these policies and procedures to be done and new issues to be resolved, it is now time to have fun and enjoy the many functions and facilities available to us.

It is truly satisfying for those who have contributed to functions to see the enjoyment they bring to other residents. So what if a member of the Landing Lites is momentarily off key, Rudolph's red nose is lost, the meal doesn't turn out just as planned, or the dance is not as well attended as hoped? You can bet that all who attended enjoyed themselves and that is what it is all about. We are in need of others to come join in the fun and satisfaction of chairing various activities. If we are to hold a similar number of dances and luncheons to what was done in past years, we need you to step forward and chair these events. Any new things you may want to try are welcome.

All of the S & R Committee members have contributed in some way to functions here in Marion Landing and stand ready to assist you. A GOOD way to contact a member is by phone. A BETTER way is to talk with us at a Tuesday Social. The BEST way is to attend our committee meetings. They are held at 10 AM, every second and fourth Wednesday, in the Administration Building. We look forward to hearing from you.

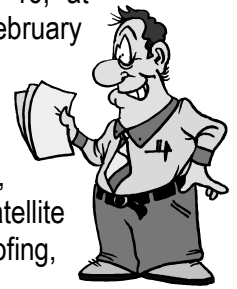


DOCUMENT COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

by The Document Committee

The committee has been working on proposed changes to the documents. In order to receive input from the community, we are scheduling a PowerPoint Open Forum Saturday morning, February 16, at 10:00 AM and Monday evening, February 25, at 7:00 PM in the Lifestyle Center.

Our emphasis at these meetings will be on revisions to architectural issues in the documents, such as fences, uniform fixtures, satellite dishes, parking, house painting, roofing, etc.



We welcome suggestions from the community and request that they also be put in writing, dated, and signed, so that the committee may respond directly to the homeowner. The committee will review and consider all written suggestions.

We encourage everyone in the community to attend one of these presentations.



MARION LANDING OLYMPICS 2008

by Eddie and Charlie Mock

The following change has been made to the Olympic calendar:

Scrabble has been moved from Monday, March 3, at 1 PM to Friday, March 7, at 1 PM. Please note this on your schedule. People who have already signed up will be notified.

PAM'S PROGRAM UPDATES *by Pam Guenther*

Email address: pguenther@lelandmanagement.com

The holidays are finally behind us and spring is just around the corner. Valentine's Day is approaching, so don't forget to show some love to that special someone. It's one of my personal favorite holidays, but I can't say the same for my husband! Sure, and it's like I need more candy after the holidays! Pretty soon I am going to have to move my desk forward a couple more inches! As for the Activity Office, we are busier than ever planning new events, speakers and more exciting classes. I am also entertaining the idea of doing another off-site tour to maybe E-One in Ocala or the Shriners Children's Hospital in Tampa. Please give me any feedback you might have on these tours, or any new ideas for classes or speakers you might like to see come to Marion Landing.

Also, if you are new to Marion Landing and I haven't had the privilege of meeting you yet, please stop by my office in the Lifestyle Center and introduce yourself. I am here Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM. We would also like to invite residents (new and old) to volunteer their time, and if possible, to chair a committee for an event. It is a great way to keep everyone active and to meet new people and have a lot of fun at the same time. Wishing you all a Happy Valentine's Day!

CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting of the Caregivers' Support Group will be held on February 6, and Karen Butler will introduce a new speaker at the meeting. Carm Viau, a registered nurse, will speak on the topic of Alzheimers and dementia. Please make sure you plan to attend this meeting and, as usual, there is no cost or sign-up for these meetings. If you know of someone in our community who may benefit as well from attending, please let them know. The meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 11:00 AM in the Library at the Lifestyle Center.

PAPIER TOLE CLASS

Our Papier Tole Class with Joan DeWitt is in full swing. Don't worry if you are not participating, we just might be able to talk her into instructing another class in the near future! Please check the board and sign up for this class and others like it so that you may be ensured a spot, especially if there is a requirement for class size.

BOTANICAL FLOWERS CLASS

Barbara Shoop returns on Wednesday, February 13, at 9:30 AM. I hope everyone who participated in her last class enjoyed the cool 'money shirts' they made! What a neat gift to give to someone who has everything! Barbara will be making a new flower at the next class. Please sign-up in advance for this class. As always, the cost is only \$12.00 and includes all your supplies.

BASKET WEAVING

Sharon Baiardi returns once again on Wednesday, February 27, at 9:00 AM, with her very popular Basket Weaving Class. If you haven't tried it before, you will have to come and have fun learning how to make and take home your very own basket in just one session! This class is fun and easy. The cost is minimal and includes instruction, plus all the materials you will need. Please sign up for this class on the sign-up sheet posted in the lobby. You may see a sample of her work in the Activity Office at the Lifestyle Center.

BUNKA SHI-SHU

By now many of you have heard me mention the Bunka Shi-Shu class, which is a form of Japanese embroidery that has a 3-D effect. Margaret Nelson, a certified teacher in the art, has started teaching her classes in the Craft Room at the Lifestyle Center. The classes are ongoing and are held every Wednesday from 2 to 4:30 PM. Please sign up for this class if interested, or contact Pam in the Activity Office for more information.

LINE DANCING RETURNS!

I am happy to say Sylvia LaSarr is returning to teach her Line Dancing class once again at Marion Landing. Beginning Wednesday, February 13, from 1:00 to 2:00 PM, Sylvia will be in the meeting room at the Lifestyle Center teaching some of her beginning to intermediate steps, so there will be something for everyone. If you haven't participated in a class previously, you will be pleasantly surprised how much fun you will have and how easy it is to learn!

Sylvia only charges \$2.00 per session and it is on a "pay as you go" basis. Her class is held every Wednesday and we request that you sign up on the sheet in the lobby at the Lifestyle Center. What a great way to get in shape for 2008!





MARION LANDING PATROL

by Rich Toneske

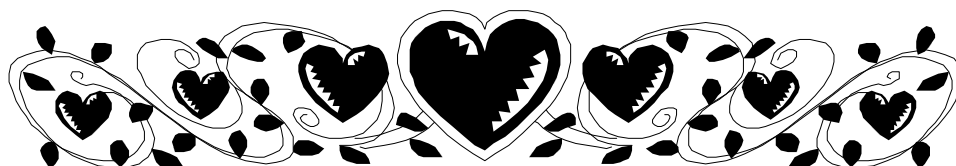
This article is not just for Patrol members; it's for the entire community to read as I try to pass on little tidbits of information to help you in everyday circumstances. Please take a moment to read this Patrol article. Thank you.

Well, by now we have all settled into the New Year and are not still making mistakes by writing the wrong year on our checks. Speaking of the New Year, we all probably made a few resolutions or little promises to ourselves. I did and want to keep them going. I really and truly wished that all the residents of Marion Landing made a resolution to commit to doing something for your community. I sincerely hoped that you would attend a Tuesday social and pick up an application to join Marion Landing Patrol. Do something for your community. It is a wonderful place to live and enjoy your life. It doesn't take much of your time. The one requirement is that you do two tours monthly in the winter and one tour monthly in the summer. The tour does go by quickly. You can do duty in the Guard House or in the car. You are required to take the AARP 55-Alive Defensive Driving course if you wish to drive the patrol car. This class is required by the Sheriff's Department. Please give it some thought. We could use your help in trying to keep our Marion Landing community as safe as possible. It's so extremely hard to spell out how much good we accomplish, but I think the results speak for themselves.

Although a Patrol meeting was not held in January, we will meet after the Tuesday social on February 12 in the Lifestyle Center. Please try to attend. You do not need to be a member to attend a Patrol meeting.

We have been contemplating whether we should call homeowners if they happen to leave their garage doors open at night. We did this once before and it had some success; but by the same token, we did get some nasty feedback. I know I would appreciate getting a phone call saying, "Hey Rich, your garage door is open". At times, I think Dotty has closed it and she thought I did. It happens to all of us. If you are not a Patrol member, please tell a neighbor or friend who is in Patrol what you think of this idea. Please, your input would be very helpful to us.

Yes, as I said, we are into the New Year, but that doesn't mean that the scammers have gone home to sleep. They are still out there and constantly thinking of ways to beat you out of your dollars. Please keep in mind that you don't have to answer questions on the phone like, "we're updating our files and need your checking account number". A bank won't call and ask for that information ... it's a scammer. As always, be alert and aware of your surroundings, keep the post lights on, and be safe. Have a Happy Valentine's Day. See you next month.



MAH JONGG MARATHON

by Carolyn Salzlein

Like to play Mah Jongg? Come down to our Lifestyle Center on Saturday, February 9, at 9:45 a.m. and join us for a "Day of Mah Jongg". Play starts at 10:00 a.m. We'll break for lunch around noon and continue in the afternoon. Please bring a cold salad that serves 6-8 to share. Also, you may bring a sandwich for yourself. Coffee, tea, and dessert will be provided. The day will end around 3:00 PM, when the prize money will be distributed.

The cost of \$3 goes to prizes. Money must be in to Carolyn Salzlein by Wednesday, February 6. Any questions, call Carolyn at 237-2590.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE NEWS

by Vivian Waite

Cookbooks will be available at the 50-50 table during Homeowner Forums in February and March.

Please watch for the announcement of our spring event. It's set for April 30 and it's NOT a card party.

Sunshine members enjoyed a post-holiday luncheon on January 15 at the Copper Pot. Instead of exchanging gifts, we made a donation to Hospice.

If you are a Sunshine member and have e-mail, please send it to vivian.waite@gmail.com, so she may compile a group mailing list.

FOR ALL MARION LANDING RESIDENTS: We repeat -- when you know of a neighbor, friend or resident who is ill at home, hospitalized, or considered a shut-in, please call either Mary Callahan (861-4201) or Mary Kelly (873-9608). The only way we have of knowing about anyone is by word of mouth. Please let us know. Also, check out our bulletin board for a list of those who would appreciate a card, a note, or a visit.

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning in February, Sunshine Committee meetings will begin at 9:30 AM, or immediately following the monthly Homeowner Forum.



THE MAILBAG

by Janet Yost

Well, the Christmas rush of cards is over and things can settle back to normal at the mailbox. I would like to thank those of you who brought a Christmas card down to be placed on the Christmas resident "tree". Those of you who preferred to send individual cards to friends caused your Mail Committee to work really hard to keep up with the quantity of mail that was placed in the mailboxes. Just a reminder -- there are 600 homes here with mail coming from most of them at Christmastime, and it would really help a lot if you put your mail in the correct slot. Remember, loose mail goes in the mail slots; only mail the Committee has banded goes in the Christmas boxes or the white basket we use during the rest of the year.



We would also appreciate your picking up your mail often during the month, especially in December and your birthday/anniversary month. It also helps us if you put the date in the upper corner of the envelope so we can dispose of outdated mail. I have four new people helping me sort and band mail now; and I would like to thank my new committee members -- Bobbi Patterson, Peggy Reed, Eleanor Christiano and Mary Dwyer. Each of us spent one to three hours sorting and banding mail each time we went to the Clubhouse in December. It was a big job, but we did it!!! I would also like to especially thank the ladies who retired from helping with the mail -- Joyce Gloman and Pat Steinmetz. They always did a great job and now are ready to take it easy.

Just a note -- any mail left in the Christmas box (next to the water fountain) after January 31 will be disposed of, and the box will be put away till next year.

Hope your holidays were happy and your New Year will be healthy.

JANUARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

by Jerry Wood



1st Vice President, Bob Fink, presented Vivian Waite with her award. (photo by Rog Patterson)

Your January Volunteer of the Month is Vivian Waite, who has been a resident for eight years. During that time, she has been extremely active within the community. She is a member of the golf club, and a bridge and bocce player. Vivian is a long time member of the Marion Landing Patrol and the Sunshine Committee. She also serves as a back-up for phone tree announcements. On the Sunshine Committee, she serves as secretary, and also writes their monthly *Communicator* article. She is a co-team captain for memorial luncheons and serves as a member of the Sunshine executive board. Vivian is very deserving of the volunteer award.

Bible Study

by Jim Thompson

ML Resident & Bible Study Group Coordinator

Bible Study Group invites you to study the Bible. Why not resolve to join the Marion Landing Bible Study Group on the second and fourth Fridays of each month? The group meets at 11 AM in the Administration Building Conference Room. Our next meeting is February 8.

M.L. LITTLE THEATRE

by Donna Taylor

"Have your tickets ready please." I believe that is what was announced in the opening of an old radio show "Little Theater off Times Square". Well, the same will be said here soon.

The Marion Landing Little Theatre Group invites you to join us for an evening of fun. "LOVE THY NEIGHBOR --- part III" (a comedy, we hope) will be presented on Saturday, February 23, at 7 PM. Doors will open at 6:30 PM. Tickets are available at the Tuesday Socials and Thursday nights prior to Bingo. Admission is \$3.00 each and refreshments will be served following the show. So plan to attend and have a few laughs.



ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING

by Harold Heye



Sincere thanks to the following people who have worked so hard crushing, storing, and dropping off aluminum cans at the Recycling Center in Ocala: Wally Rubacha, Neil Williams and Vince Zolofra. At the end of 2007, we lost one member of our team - Charlie Cockerham - who was always available to load and deliver the many bags of crushed aluminum cans to the Recycling Center with me. Charlie died at the end of the year and is sorely missed. He was always available with his truck when asked to help. We now have a volunteer to take Charlie's place. Thanks to George Allen for volunteering himself and his truck for the job.

Remember, all the monies collected for the aluminum cans are deposited in our Marion Landing Operating Account. We again ask that you bring your aluminum cans to the Bowling Center storage room. We will crush them for you. Remember, only aluminum cans - no metal cans. Also, when you tie bags, try not to make too tight a knot. Our arthritic fingers have a difficult time opening them. We appreciate your donations and ask that you keep them coming.

SEARCH

by Rich Toneske

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

by Carolyn Salzlein



Join us for a potluck luncheon on Wednesday, February 20, at 12 noon. Please bring a covered dish to serve 8-10. Dessert will be provided. Tickets are on sale for \$2 each. Entertainment will be the Sheldon Village Stompers (a clogging team). Any questions, please call Carolyn Salzlein at 237-2590.

This article is also for the ENTIRE community, not just the Search Team members. Please take a gander at it. Thanks!

I have read some really interesting articles in *The Citizen* during the past few weeks pertaining to our own Search Team. They were written by Captain Burton, the Citizen Patrol of Oak Run, and our own Rog Patterson. I wish to thank all of these people for taking the time to write such nice things about our team.

We definitely were helpful in giving Oak Run pertinent information and speaking to them about forming a team. Captain Burton has helped us tremendously with ideas and suggestions to further enhance our own performance. And, we can't forget Sgt. Grady ... he was right there offering his suggestions as well. As for Rog, he was on the phone with just about everyone to get all the facts and "nothing but the facts". Thank you all very much!

If you did read *The Citizen*, you can see that we put a lot of effort into this program. If you did not read the articles, you missed some good information. So every time I get up and ask for your support in filling out a couple of forms and having a picture taken, I am only interested in helping us all be prepared if something does occur. Maybe I'll offer to buy you an ice cream cone or a candy bar, even sugar free, if you fill out the forms. How does that sound? It only takes a few minutes of your time and it's painless. Please call Mary Callahan at 861-4201, or me at 291-2424, and we will get you started. Take care and please be safe. Always keep yourself alert and aware of your surroundings. I want to see you next month.

Penn/Del/Mar/Va Club Luncheon

by George Taragna



Mark the date and sign-up in the Clubhouse for the February 11th get-together and eat session. You know how we love to eat, so come to Logan's Steakhouse at 12:30 PM. Car pool, walk or take the bus, just come!! If you don't come, it will be your loss. See you there.



COOKBOOKS STILL AVAILABLE!

by Pam Guenther

Okay all you Betty Crockers out there, we know the holidays are over, but we still love to cook, right? What better way than to try out some of the Marion Landing "tried and true" recipes. The cookbooks are at their lowest price right now -- \$3.00 each, and there is only a limited number left. Get one for yourself or give one as a gift. Contact Janice Wood or see Pam in the Activity Office before they are all gone.



Visit Marion Landing's Website:



THANK YOU NOTES from IRAQ

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Many women in Marion Landing were involved in making and filling Christmas stockings for our troops.*

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen of Marion Landing,

It is Christmas Eve in Baghdad and I came back to my desk to see a Christmas stocking waiting for me. You didn't leave any contact information, probably because you didn't do this for recognition, but instead out of the goodness of your hearts. But after some investigation on the internet, I think I found the group responsible and I want to say thank you - and that doesn't seem to be enough; but I really appreciate the time and effort that you all spent to make our holiday a little brighter.

Special thanks to the Charity Crafters for making the stocking, Linda and Ken Sprague of Dunnellon, Florida for filling it, and Ann from the Ladies of Marion Landing for the cap/helmet liner (it reminds me of the slippers that my grandmother used to make us every Christmas); and I will carry the star from "Old Glory" with me forever.

Thanks again to all of you - you are great people doing great things. Happy Holidays and God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Chris

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Contributed by Evelyn Olsen:

Yesterday, I received a call from Pat Stewart, who lives in Cherrywood. She called to say that her daughter-in-law, who is stationed in Baghdad, was given a Christmas stocking, and on the tag it said, "Made by the Marion Landing Crafters, Ocala, FL". She wanted to send a personal "Thank You" as she appreciated it so much. She called her husband here in the States and told him about it, as she knew her mother-in-law lived in Ocala. He was able to tell her that his mother not only lived in Ocala, but lived in a community near Marion Landing. What a small world it is.

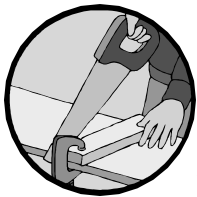
Contributed by Ann Gillin:

Thank you so much for sending the wonderful Christmas stocking. I was the lucky recipient of one. Everyone's support at home is the best gift we can ask for. Please pass on my thanks to the Ladies of Ocala Palms for the lovely winter cap and the Ladies of Marion Landing for the stocking. I will treasure it.

Sincerely,

Erika Strong

MSG Erika Strong
HQ, MNC-I (Cmd Grp)
APO AE 09342



Woodcrafters

by Dan Curtin

The Marion Landing Woodcrafters
will hold their February meeting --

When: Wednesday, February 20
Time: 10:00 AM
Where: Dan Curtin's home
6236 SW 84th Place Road

Shop tools are not necessary; just an interest in woodworking and good fellowship. Break away from the sawdust for an hour and tell us what you've made, or what you are planning to build next.

For additional information, contact Jim Miller at 873-0207.

Welcome New Residents

Gillo, Michael & Alice
8461SW 60th Circle
(formerly Burris)

Ross, Teresa
6506 SW 84th Place Road
(formerly K. Hall)

Schwager, Anna Marie
6161 SW 84th Place
(formerly Howell)

Shank, Robert & Maureen
8498 SW 65th Court Road
(formerly Hopla)

GROUNDHOG DAY WORD SEARCH

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Groundhog Trivia

- *The average groundhog is 20 inches long and normally weighs from 12 to 15 pounds.*
- *All groundhogs have 22 teeth.*
- *Groundhogs hibernate one to a burrow, with at least two doorways.*
- *Groundhogs can lose 50 percent of their body weight in hibernation. Hibernation is not just a deep sleep. It is actually a deep coma, where the body temperature drops to a few degrees above freezing, the heart barely beats, the blood scarcely flows, and breathing nearly stops.*
- *Groundhogs are resistant to the plagues that periodically wipe out large numbers of wild animals. One reason for this is their cleanliness.*
- *Male groundhogs emerge earlier than females each spring.*
- *A groundhog's life span is normally 6 to 8 years.*



In Remembrance:

Charles Cockerham December 18
Don Leslie December 25
Ed Crenshaw January 2



Thank you to the Sunshine Committee and many friends and neighbors in Marion Landing for your generous outpouring of thoughts, prayers, food, flowers, etc. during the last 6 weeks. I greatly appreciate your concerns.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Cockerham & family

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

All of us at Hospice of Marion County wish to express our gratitude to Kim Kalman and the Friends of Hospice for another successful fundraiser. Thanks to all of you who participated by attending the November 18th show and/or making a donation. Because of your generosity, \$1,003.00 was raised for Hospice patient care in Marion County. **Marion Landing folks are the best!!!**

Mary Ann Hall, Development Specialist
Hospice of Marion County, Inc.

A HUGE Thank You to each and every one of you who helped decorate and remove decorations in our Lifestyle Center over the past holiday season. We couldn't have done it without all your help, talents and efforts. We really appreciate it. THANKS so much.

Holiday Decorating Committee

A special thanks to the Sunshine Committee for the beautiful plant and get-well card following Ed's recent surgery. Thanks also for the phone calls, visits, and especially the prayers we received. It is great to be in a community with so many caring and concerned people.

Sincerely,
Ed & Doris Gersky

ANGEL TREE

Once again the residents of Marion Landing responded with generosity and love at Christmas by their response to the Angel Tree. Through the auspices of the Salvation Army, you provided more than 100 children not only with gifts of clothing, but also books and toys. The staff at Salvation Army who received the gifts were just delighted. They thank you on behalf of the children for your kindness, and so do we. This is one fantastic community.

Ellen and Bob McGrath

My thanks to the Sunshine Committee for the lovely plants received during my illness.

Sincerely,
Elaine Arnold

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Birthdays & Anniversaries *by Merle Gaugler*

February Birthdays

1. Phil Tirella, Jackie Santone, Don Ervin
2. Marian Miller, Dorothy Sylvester, Steven Graham
3. Bobby Flori, Don Bodnar
4. Carolyn Carlson, Jack Lippo
5. Bill Hall, Emerson Clauss, Nancy Hassell, Lois Slotterback
6. Jeanne Waite, Leo Leonard
7. Stella Dlhosh, Colleen Kennison
8. Al Hall, Tony Barone, Janet Smith, Rick Martens, Mike Romeo
9. Fran Abril, Shirley Rathbone, Mike Soter, Ralph Bailey
10. Fred Griese, Helen Miller
11. Dianne Knoch, Dave Leffler
13. Jim Johnson, Thelma Bedaw, Arthur Berman, Ken Hotelling
14. Vinny Napoleone, Joyce Groft, Juana Sorensen
15. Mary Dwyer, Betty Robey, Lorraine Rusch
16. Rosalie Shouse, Ruthann Mumaw, Paul Kalvin, John Jertson
18. Wally Spencer
19. Connie Cedrone, Estelle Nelson
20. Wayne Shroyer, Bev Stevens
21. Vince Santone, Vince Zolofra
22. Frank Miller, Dave Ritter
23. Bob Wade, Walter Heller, Bob Loe
24. Ann Gillin
25. John Sherlock, Charlene Linnerud, Bill Wurst, Carolyn Cockerham, Jesse James
26. Les Fluegge, Ed Salas
27. Willie Vergara, Phyllis Kalman, Olga Mehinovich, Joe DeSario, Marilyn Kalivoda
28. John Richardson, Ginny Evans, Clyde Hall
29. Greta Jastrzebski

March

1. Frank Szutar, Bernice McDonald
2. Marty Rabb, Howard Smith, Erlene Stamper
3. Esther Haines, Joan Ackerman, Roberta Hanka
4. Mary Lippo, Janet Yost
5. Ken Talbert
6. George Taragna, Lou Russo, Carol Castro, Karen Carpenter
7. Gert Jacobs, Helen McElwain, Don Larson, Ed Fish, Jim Whitehead

February Anniversaries

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| 5, 1955 | Terry & Paul Sova | 53 yrs |
| 6, 1953 | Marg & Bud Carlquist | 55 yrs |
| 9, 1948 | Delores & Frank Miller | 60 yrs |
| 14, 2003 | Margaret & Jim Moore | |
| 14, 1988 | Rosalind & Richard Andrews | |
| 14, 1976 | Peg & Wayne Shroyer | |
| 15, 1958 | Mary & Joe Stagliano | 50 yrs |
| 16, 1974 | Pat & Herb Kierzkowski | |
| 16, 1951 | Oleita & Clyde Hall | 57 yrs |
| 19, 1966 | Lorraine & Dave Rusch | |
| 20, 1987 | Mary & Danny McCarthy | |
| 21, 1997 | Peggy & Dennis DeStefano | |
| 21, 1976 | Jeanne & Casimir Kurpiewski | |
| 22, 1947 | Esther & Bernard Haines | 61 yrs |
| 28, 1988 | Bobbie & Howard Shay | |

March

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| 1, 1984 | Linda & Skip Gile | |
| 3, 2000 | Karenann & Dennis Pross | |
| 7, 1947 | Thelma & Cliff Bedaw | 61 yrs |

