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HOMEOWNER FORUM

Tuesday, October 7 @ 9 AM

BOARD MEETING

Friday, October 17 @ 9 AM

(All meetings in Lifestyle Center)



**DON'T FORGET
AMENITIES ARE
DUE
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BOARD NOTES

by Gordon Herrick, President

There are several other articles in this issue of *The Communicator* that address our upcoming Annual Meeting. During our Annual Meeting on Friday, November 14, we will vote to fill the two Board of Directors positions that are open this year.

Earlier this year, I wrote that the most important vote that homeowners exercise is to vote for the members of the Board of Directors. I firmly believe in that statement! The Marion Landing Board of Directors is the decision-making body of a Florida not-for-profit corporation. They are responsible for a budget of over three quarters of a million dollars. Their responsibilities include the maintenance of our common areas, the supervision of all activities in the common areas, the operation of a wastewater treatment plant and well site, planning for Marion Landing's future and all other responsibilities granted by our documents, Florida State statutes and any appropriate Federal laws. We are assisted in performing these responsibilities by Leland Management and our attorney. We need candidates for the Board of Directors who have knowledge of financial matters, are capable of working as a member of a decision-making group, will put the interest of Marion Landing above their own opinions and agendas, and have the personal skills that allow him or her to listen to and work with a wide variety of people.

I am aware of many talented Marion Landing homeowners who would be valuable members of the Board of Directors. If you have any of the skills that a Board member needs and have the desire to unselfishly serve the Marion Landing community, please notify Rose Peters, Chairperson of the Election Committee.

A presentation on the fiduciary duty of a board member will be presented during the Homeowners Forum on October 7.

At the September 19 Board of Directors meeting, a motion was made and unanimously passed that any previous verbal agreements made between homeowners and Ocala Housing, Emmer Management and/or any of their employees would no longer be valid.

DEADLINE for NOVEMBER COMMUNICATOR articles - October 16 at 5 PM

November Editors: Peggy Baxter & Connie Rowe

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER

by Deeann Welch

Thank you for the many birthday cards. It was very nice of you to take the time to wish me a Happy Birthday for my big 50th. I had a wonderful birthday this year. All of my family members who live in Ocala, as well as relatives from Pennsylvania and Ohio, came in for my birthday. My niece, who never flies by herself, came in from college, and the biggest surprise of all was that my daughter, who lives in Australia, came too! It could not have been any better if I had dreamed it the way I wanted.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Your homeowner fees are due October 1 and late after October 7. By mid-December, you should receive your new coupon books. Remember, there will be four coupons in the booklet for the entire year, so please do not throw it away.

WATER BILLS

Water bills should be out by the first week in October. If you receive a water bill and would like me to teach you how not to receive one, please call and leave a message for me. I would be glad to instruct you.

SITE INSPECTIONS AND MOWING YARDS

When a yard is not maintained in Marion Landing, I follow certain procedures listed below:

1. Complete site inspections every two weeks
2. I look at the following items for violations:
 - Debris on roof or roof needs cleaning
 - House or trim needs paint
 - Driveway needs cleaning/painting
 - Debris in yard
 - Bushes or shrubs need trimming
 - Garbage can not put away or put out too soon
 - Yard needs mowing

The most common problem that occurs in Marion Landing is some homeowners try to mow every two weeks, regardless of the season or the amount of rain. This does not work very well, since the grass gets too high in the summer months when we receive much needed rain. When this occurs, I usually leave a violation notice on the door. It states

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FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY

by Bob Fink

We invite all homeowners to attend the Homeowners Forum on Tuesday, October 7, at 9 AM, to view a PowerPoint presentation explaining the Fiduciary responsibility of your Board of Directors. This responsibility is extremely important to all homeowners and it may assist you in deciding how you vote for any future Board member.

Please plan to attend the Forum and see this presentation.

S & R COMMITTEE NOTES

by Jerry Wood

October in the north, where a lot of us refugees are from, means fall is on the way. While our trees do not turn glorious colors as they do further north, we also do not have to get out the shovels and snow blowers and make sure they are ready to go. Of course, I was one of those that waited until the first snowflake to face the truth of winter's arrival. For us here in Marion Landing, it hopefully means windows can be opened and no air conditioning or heating necessary for a couple of months. That should help the budget and free up some dollars for foolishness.

On page 7 in *The Communicator*, Val Spencer has written a very complete article on the upcoming Bazaar, listing the dates and contact people. I would like to add just a few comments to that article. After last year's Bazaar, the Social and Recreation Committee decided there would be no more pick-up of large items. We would hope that any resident with such items would be able to get them to the Lifestyle Center by asking friends and neighbors for help. We also would like to remind everyone that donations should be saleable, with the appliances and electronics donated in working order.

I would hope there are many in Marion Landing who are ready and willing to help out in this community-wide sale. As stated at the last Forum, it is an excellent time to rid yourselves of those items lying around the house that are no longer of any use. Also, I wish to remind you all, this does not include any spouse or significant other.

Not that far in the future is the holiday season and Lifestyle Center decorating. Val Spencer has volunteered to chair that committee this year. If you wish to help, please let her know. We plan on decorating the Lifestyle Center on November 21, and you will hear more on this subject as that time approaches.

Pam's Program Updates *by Pam Guenther, Activities Coordinator*

Email address: pguenther@lelandmanagement.com

Welcome October and cooler weather! I hope everyone is enjoying all the activities and events going on in the Lifestyle Center and maybe even taking a class or two to keep busy. This month is an especially busy one here at the Clubhouse. There are three special events scheduled in October, and I'm sure you will enjoy attending at least one of them.

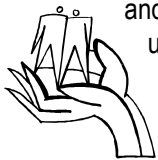
The Sunshine Committee has been busy preparing for their Annual Fashion Show which should be a lot of fun. Our own residents will be doing the modeling, so come out and see who they will be! Also, the ever popular Oktoberfest is on the 11th of this month, and that always proves to be a great time, with entertainment and good German food for everyone. We will also be having a Halloween dance on October 18, so you want to be sure to mark your calendar for that. Thanks to Paul and Matilde Scerri, who have planned and organized the event and will have a lot of prizes and surprises in store for you!

With fall being a busier time for us, the classes are also filling up quickly, and we will be scheduling some new ones now that most residents have returned from their northern visits and vacations. Please make sure you check the flyers in the lobby for new classes and seminars and sign up for those you may be interested in.

We hope you have enjoyed the tours we had over the summer to the different companies in Ocala. We have scheduled a tour of the Ocala Civic Theater Back Stage that will take place next month and will also be scheduling tours of the jail and prison farm once again, perhaps by the beginning of the year. As always, the Activity Office is busy with classes and new events and hopefully a little something for everyone. Please stop by and share any new ideas or suggestions you may have for classes, tours, or events that you would like to see happen, or just stop by and say hi. See you at the Clubhouse!

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

Our Caregivers Support Group meets, as usual, on the first Wednesday of each month in the privacy of the Library at 11 AM. Karen Butler from Senior Services shares information, resource assistance, training and peer support, and encouragement at these support groups. Sign-up is not required but suggested, so Karen may have an idea of how many may attend.



Occasionally, she will also bring in guest speakers like Terrie Hardison, Director for the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance, who spoke to the group about dealing with people with dementia. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BUNKA SHI-SHU

The Bunka Shi-Shu class is a pretty regular event every Wednesday from 2-4 PM in the Craft Room at the Lifestyle Center. The last Wednesday of the month is the only day it is not held. For those of you not familiar with the art, it is a Japanese form of embroidery, of which Margaret Nelson is a certified teacher. If you love embroidery or needlepoint work, please come out and give it a try. It's easy and Margaret makes the class a lot of fun too. Cost is just \$3 for instruction, plus the cost of the kit you choose. Beginners are always welcome.

BASKET WEAVING CLASS

You can never have too many baskets! Baskets serve so many purposes; they are decorative and useful too

for carrying so many different things. What could be more fun than making your very own unique basket to give away as a gift or keep for yourself? The new basket the class will make is displayed each month in the Activity Office and the cost is posted on the flyer. The class is held the last Wednesday of the month at 9 AM in the Craft Room, so come join the fun!

BOTANICALS CLASS IS BACK

Barbara Shoop is our Flower Lady and she loves teaching her students how to make beautiful porcelain-like flowers out of simple plastic cutlery. That's right; Barbara can show you how to make a beautiful rose from a simple plastic spoon. She is one of just a handful of people who teach this very easy technique that anyone can learn in only one class. The cost is \$12 for everything you need, including the instruction. Please check the flyer in the lobby to sign up for our next class in October.

PAINTING WITH PEYTON

Cherie Litt's painting class may be over; but don't forget, Peyton Lord still has his painting group which meets every Friday, from 10 AM until 12 Noon, in the Craft Room at the Clubhouse. This is a casual and relaxed group that gets together to share their love of painting. So whether you are a beginner or professional, everyone is welcome.



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PROGRAM NOTES

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NEW DANCE CLASS FORMING

There is a new Dance class in the works that will be taught by William Odom, a professional dancer, who will teach basic Ballroom dancing to those interested. This class requires a minimum of nine students to begin, and we are just about there. The cost is \$10 per person per class, and it will be scheduled to start once we have the required number of people signed up. So what are you waiting for? Dust off your dancing shoes and sign up on the flyer in the lobby. Singles are welcome too.



BUTTERFLY HOPE SUPPORT GROUP

This is a new support group that has been formed to help those with life threatening illnesses or who may be undergoing therapy for any medical condition. Come out and share hope and encouragement with Lori. Lori Bari is a "cancer fighter" who is a miracle in herself. Her upbeat, positive, and sometimes comical view of these sometimes sensitive issues has helped many people to cope with their own afflictions. If you are being treated for a health issue or have a friend or loved one who is, please check out this very worthwhile support group. The group meets monthly at the Lifestyle Center on a Friday evening from 7 to 8:30 PM. Please check the flyer in the lobby for the October date and sign up if interested.

FLU CLINIC SCHEDULED

Vaxcare Corp. is an on-site provider of immunizations to various communities, businesses, and schools, and they will be having an Influenza Vaccine Clinic here on October 23, from 9 AM to 12. The clinic will be held in the Craft Room and it will be staffed by licensed medical personnel. It is suggested that you pre-register for this clinic by signing up on the sheet in Lifestyle Center lobby. The cost for the shot will be determined on the vaccine and price rate set at beginning of season. Medicare is accepted, as well as cash, check, debit, and credit cards. Please check with Pam for more information.



OCTOBER SPEAKER

We are pleased to announce our speaker for this month is Dr. Patel, who is a Geriatric physician. He is scheduled to speak after the October 21 Tuesday Social. Please make sure to mark your calendar and plan to stay a little while longer after the Social that day.

THE QUILTING CLUB IS SHOWING OFF AGAIN!

by Fran E. Szutar

The Marion Landing Quilting Club ladies have been working all year and now they are ready to show off everything they have quilted. The Annual Quilting Show is scheduled for Tuesday, October 7, during the Forum at 9 AM. This year, for the first time, you will be asked to vote for the project you like best. What is this called? Well, "Best of Show," what else?

And to help you decide on your favorite, here are a few hints to help you make a decision. First, look at the combination of colors. Are they pleasing and do they go well together? Look at the design. How intricate is it? How much work was put into it? And look at the stitching design. Are the quilting stitches evenly spaced and do they add to the design? Oh yes, and last, do you like it? Now that you are experts, go to the Lifestyle Center and vote.

But don't put away your voting pencil just yet. In addition to the annual show where the quilts and quilt projects will be displayed for you to examine, admire and vote on, the Club members will also exhibit their Challenge Projects. For this year's Challenge, the Club members were asked to create a project that depicts an animal in the design. By an animal, we mean anything that walks, crawls, flies, or swims in or around this world of ours. These project items will be displayed separately and you are all invited to again vote for the project you like the best.



How about that? You get to vote twice. You won't be able to do that in the National Election.

BINGO

by Joan Pearce

Many thanks to all the Bingo players who show up every week and special thanks to the callers and working committee. Bingo is a nice way to spend a Thursday evening with fellow residents, and as a plus there is free coffee and cake too.

We are sorry to hear that Jan Sekurski will be unable to call because of other commitments and we thank her for a job well done. We are badly in need of callers, so if any one wishes to learn, please contact me at 694-2374.





MARION LANDING PATROL

by Rich Toneske



I really feel exceptionally good this week. I have had people from the community comment about my article and/or articles. It made me happy that my masterpieces (ha, ha) are being read, plus the comments have all been positive. I hope all the residents who read them feel the same. I know the old adage "you can't please everyone all the time", but I'll keep trying. I have gotten calls pertaining to Patrol members to help fix post lights. That's right--we will help at your expense. You buy the parts, but our labor is free. Not a bad deal if you ask me. If you remember last month, I said how inexpensive it was to keep your post light burning. This figure is based on a fluorescent-type bulb of 23 watts equivalent to a 100 watt regular bulb. This would cost you about \$10.49 a year. If you used a 13 watt fluorescent bulb, it would be less yet. So, why not use your post lights?

On another happy note, I received a letter from a resident who thanked Patrol and Search for all they do for the community by keeping everyone informed about the happenings around Marion Landing. I will say a big *Thank You* for the letter. It sure helps keep us going to know we are appreciated. As to the inquiry, it was passed on to the proper person to see what can be done to rectify the situation.

I guess we lucked out with the storms that have popped up so far this hurricane season. Let's just hope our luck continues. We should keep in mind a few precautions to make it a little easier to get through these storms. Keep batteries on hand for the flashlights and portable radio, and keep some bottled water stored away, along with some canned goods. Keep the car full of gas just in case you have to evacuate the area, and remember to keep some money available too. If things do get bad and the power goes out, ATM's won't work. These are just some things to help. I am willing to bet that many of you have different ideas as to what you will or will not need. Let's keep hoping we won't have to go there. One more very important item to keep in mind--please take care of Lassie and/or Morris. They need us to care for them in times like this.

Did you happen to notice the new welcome sign in the Guard House window? I hope you did. I think it adds a bit of class to our entrance. This idea was pursued by our own Roger Patterson. He came up with the thought, presented it to me, and then to our LCAM, Deeann. He then made many inquires around town at different sign shops before a final decision was made. Hope you all like it!

Things are quiet in our community, thank heaven. Captain Burton gave us an update on things happening around the area and mentioned there have been many car break-ins. Well, I should not say break-ins because most of the vehicles were left unlocked. Please remember to lock both your car and house. Make your home look occupied by keeping a light on, a radio playing, and no papers on the driveway. If you do leave your car in the driveway, make sure to remove all valuables. Don't make it easy for the bad guys. Please keep in mind if you should see something that doesn't look right, don't hesitate to call the Sheriff's Department at 911 or 732-9111 and they will help you.

The next Patrol meeting will be on October 14 after the Social, and we ask that you wear your uniform shirt to the meeting. If anyone would like to join Patrol, please speak to one of the Captains on Tuesday morning, or call any Officer and they will assist you in getting started. If you are a Patrol member, you are not assigned to any one particular Scheduling Captain. Fred, Nancy, and Dot all work in conjunction with one another. We had a situation recently where several people needed to make changes in their scheduled times, and they left messages for a Scheduling Captain who happened to be out of town for an extended period. That meant no one turned up to do a shift at that time. So if something comes up and you need to change your scheduled time, please be sure you speak to a person, not just a machine. We can and will work with you.

Please keep yourselves safe and aware of your surroundings. Please remember to walk against traffic and ride with traffic. While on our roadways, please carry some form of ID and wear light colored clothing.

See you next month.

SEARCH

by Rich Toneske



Fall is here and we expect it to get cooler. Maybe and maybe not, but it still is a great time of the year. Did you enjoy your Labor Day holiday? I had a great day, did some grilling, and enjoyed too much good food. Oh well, you slip up sometimes, but overall it was good. I did, however, miss having a function at the Clubhouse, and I bet many others did too. As mentioned in previous *Communicator* articles, if volunteers don't step forward, nothing will happen around here. Those of us who have taken on these responsibilities in the past are willing to give you all the information you can use. We have been there, and now it's time for others to jump into the water. Volunteers make this community run.

Two members of our Search Committee visited Spruce Creek North to attend their monthly meeting and share information with them. They are in the process of starting a Search Team and asked for our assistance in getting them information. They are a small group, but will continue to grow.

Search Team Chairperson Mary Callahan is available to update your forms with new contact information or new phone numbers. Just give her a call at 861-4201. We had a minor incident in which the Search Team was involved. It seems a resident did not answer their door, and the person who was trying to reach them got nervous because the day prior, this resident said they did not feel well. Good reason for concern, I would say. So phone calls were made, and guess what? Search did not have any information on this resident. The Sheriff's Department was called, and a deputy finally got the person to respond to the door. The individual claimed they could not hear any one knocking over the sound of the radio playing, so all turned out okay. But if information had been available, it may have been taken care of more quickly. This system we have established can help even if you are not lost or out wandering around. It can only be a complete success if all residents have pictures taken and fill out the Resident Information forms. Just keep this in mind when you keep saying this is a farce. We are here to try to help all of the community.

Please keep yourselves safe, alert, and watch out for your neighbors. Report anything that isn't right. Please wear your bracelet, as it is our only method of knowing if you belong here. Keep an eye on any approaching storms and be prepared to do the right thing to protect yourself.

See you next month.

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

by Jerry Wood



Joan and Jay are presented their award by Board Member Bill Wurst (center) (Photo by Dave Wilberg)

Joan and Jay DeWitt both participate and volunteer in many areas of Marion Landing. Joan enjoys early morning water exercise and Women's Bocce. Jay plays Shuffleboard and Men's Bocce. They are members of the Sunshine Committee and help with their many activities. They are members of Patrol, performing the Lock-Up responsibilities. For a number of years, Jay was the coordinator of the Lock-Up Committee. Joan is about to begin instructing her third class of Papier Tole.

MARION LANDING LITTLE THEATRE

by Donna Taylor

Hi fellow actors, actresses, and all of you that have helped to make Little Theatre the success that it is and always has been. You've had a nice long hiatus from rehearsals and our last production. However, recess is over and it's time to start thinking about our next performance.

We have a show date on the Marion Landing calendar for March 21. But first, mark your calendar for **October 20 at 3:15 PM** to meet in the Clubhouse for a discussion concerning the spring presentation. Rehearsals will not begin until January. Come one and all. I look forward to seeing you then.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

By Vivian Waite

The Marion Landing Sunshine Committee has finalized plans for their fall event. Some of our men and women members will strut their stuff on stage, showing you Beall's latest fall and holiday fashions. Before this spectacular show, you will enjoy a luscious lunch, provided by My Son's Catering. The menu will be croissants filled with chicken salad/roast beef, a pasta salad, and that good old favorite, carrot-raisin salad. In addition to your beverage, you will enjoy a homemade fruit cobbler. Interspersed throughout the afternoon, there will be many lucky ticket holders winning one of our much desired door prizes.

Mark your calendar for this important date. It's Wednesday, October 22. Doors open at 11:30 and lunch begins at noon. Tickets are \$8 and will go on sale September 23. Sales will be limited, so buy early.

Oh yes, don't let the words "fashion show" keep you men away. There will be styles for you, food for you, entertainment for you, prizes for you, good fellowship, and you'll be supporting a good cause.

NOVEMBER BREAKFAST

by Joe Raffony

Breakfast will be served from 8 to 9 AM in the Lifestyle Center on Saturday, **November 15**. Tickets for this popular event will be available for purchase **starting October 21** during the Tuesday morning Social. If you are not able to attend the Socials, tickets may be purchased from Pam on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 PM. Tickets are \$2 per person, with a limit of 250 tickets being sold. Breakfast will include scrambled eggs, hash browns, pancakes, sausage, biscuits & gravy, grits, fruit, juice and coffee.



BRIDGE LESSONS

Classes start October 15.

Please sign up on the sheet at the Clubhouse or call Bob Kremer at 873-3747 or Ruth Gellenthin at 873-7342

MARION LANDING ANNUAL BAZAAR NOVEMBER 1, 2008

by Val Spencer

MARK THIS IMPORTANT EVENT ON YOUR CALENDAR

It's time to start thinking about the Annual Marion Landing Bazaar to be held on November 1 from 8 AM to 2 PM. The Bazaar staff is seeking useful items that you no longer want to keep, but other folks will pay to treasure them. Your items should be delivered to the Lifestyle Center on October 31 from 8 AM till 5 PM.

Mary Jo Eggers (861-1627) and Pat Smith (861-4658) and their helpers will be calling you for contributions of home-baked goods. Items should be wrapped in plastic wrap. Please indicate if any items have nuts or are sugar-free. If you do not want to bake, cash donations will be accepted. Delivery of the baked goods should be from 2 PM to 5 PM on Friday, October 31. If the baked goods need to be REFRIGERATED, please bring at 8 AM on Saturday, November 1. Jewelry is to be delivered to Dotty Bouchet (854-2611). Jerry Wood will be chairing the kitchen activities. A menu and cost will be determined at a later date. If you would like to volunteer in the kitchen, please call Jerry (854-1697). We will feature a Garden Shop and it will be co-chaired by Virginia DiNoto (622-4946) and Gloria Wilberg (861-7793). If you would like to donate plants or garden supplies or volunteer for this committee, please call Virginia or Gloria. Marion Landing cookbooks will be on sale and for information call Mary Callahan (861-4201). The used book sale is chaired by Ed and Lorraine DeMauex (873-4164). Any books should be delivered on Friday, October 31. The White Elephant Sale will be chaired by Mike Soter (873-0669). For information on making donations, to volunteer your services, or to offer the use of your truck or van for this committee, please call Mike.



Set-up for the Bazaar will be on Friday, October 31. There will be no activities in the Clubhouse that day. For any additional information, please contact Peggy Reed (237-2478).



NEWS FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

by Rose Peters, Chairperson

Do you feel you have something to contribute to the betterment of our community? If so, now is the time to come forward and volunteer to run in the upcoming election for the Board of Directors. There are two openings for the Board this year, and the election will be held on Friday, November 14, at 9 AM in the Lifestyle Center.

We are looking for qualified people who are homeowners (your name must appear on the property deed). If you are interested, please see me or call me at 237-4086 to get an information sheet with the requirements for your biography. Biographies must be presented to me no later than Sunday, October 5.

Candidates Night will be held on Monday, November 10, at 7 PM in the Lifestyle Center. We hope all homeowners will attend that evening to meet the candidates, as well as to have any of your questions answered.

HALLOWEEN DANCE

by Paul and Matilde Scerri

Come and join your neighbors for an evening of fun and dancing to the "Joe Tarro Trio" from 7 to 10 PM on Saturday, October 18. This is the first dance held in Marion Landing this year, so we hope for a great turnout.

Costumes are optional, but there will be a prize for the best one. Ice and cups will be provided, but B.Y.O.B. and B.Y.O.S. Tickets are \$5 per person (checks to be made payable to "Cash") and are available at the Tuesday Socials as well as from Pam, our Activities Coordinator, every Wednesday and Thursday from 2 to 4 PM. Tickets will also be available at the door.



THE MAILBAG

by Janet Yost



Well, neighbors, the fall season is now here and you know what that means--falling leaves, frosty windshields, maybe gloves and earmuffs. But it also means HOLIDAYS!!! At Thanksgiving, the mail is still manageable, but when the holidays poke their big head around our corner (in the mailbox area) you folks really make us work. Hopefully, many of you will settle for a holiday card put on the resident's card tree or whatever is planned for this year. But we know that mail will be coming into the mailbox from most of our 598 homes and your Mail Committee will really be on our toes to keep up.

REMEMBER--your mail goes directly into the mailbox on the wall near the Ladies Restroom. My committee then checks for quantities of mail addressed to some homes which we then band with a rubber band and place in the 3 decorated boxes on the shelf near the water fountain. **NO LOOSE MAIL IS TO BE PLACED IN THOSE 3 BOXES.** I had a problem with that from one of our long-time residents earlier this year, which made a lot of extra work for us to remove all those loose pieces of mail and put them in the wall mailbox where they belonged. I would also remind you that the wall shelf where banded mail is put is for the use of the Mail Committee ONLY. Please do not decorate it for a particular holiday or whatever. We need the space to sort the mail.

A reminder to all of you -- please check for mail, especially in your birthday or anniversary month, or if you serve on a committee. I know there are a lot of you who never use the Clubhouse or the outside facilities, but please check the mailbox during the holidays and the times I mentioned above.

Also, any mail left in the mailbox for 2 months will be thrown away. This is why I ask that you put a date in the top right corner of your mail. Holiday mail will be disposed after January 31. We do call for mail pick up, but some residents do not respond.

The mailboxes are a "free" service for our residents; and my committee, in fact all the committees within Marion Landing, are volunteers. We enjoy helping provide this service. We appreciate your help in following our requests to make the work go faster and easier for all of us.

Have a terrific fall and extra special holiday season.



Visit our website at:
www.marionlanding.org

OKTOBERFEST 2008

by Joe Raffony

Tickets for our 9th Annual Oktoberfest, to be held on Saturday, October 11, were made available for purchase on September 16. If you did not purchase your tickets yet, and if any are still available, we will continue to sell them during the Tuesday Socials. If you cannot attend the Socials, tickets can be purchased from Pam on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 PM. For those of you who have missed this popular dinner in the past, the main feature is the barbecuing of a 250 pound hog on our own pit. In addition, there is a full meal with snacks and great entertainment performed by Herman Schultz.

Tickets are \$7 per person (checks are to be made out to "Cash") with a limit of 168 tickets being sold. The menu consists of pork, sauerkraut, potatoes, gravy, applesauce and dessert. Beverages available will be iced tea, lemonade and coffee.

Doors will open at 3 PM and dinner will be served at 4:30 PM. Between 3 and 4:30 PM, there will be snacks, beverages and entertainment that will continue while we are enjoying our dinner.



PA/DE/MD/VA CLUB

by Marie & Bill Lehr

On Friday, October 10, we will be meeting at 12 Noon for lunch at the Uptown Grill, located at 2436 East Silver Springs Boulevard. Jose Moreno, owner and chef, has been the chef at Carmichaels, Ocala Palms and others but now has his own restaurant. We think you will enjoy.

The Uptown Grill is located on the right (south) side of Silver Springs Boulevard a few blocks past Save-A-Lot. Please sign up on the sheet on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse.



GOT PLANTS OR OTHER GARDEN ITEMS?

by Ginny DiNoto & Gloria Wilberg

Calling all gardeners, both indoor and outdoor, who have plants you'd like to donate to the Garden Shop at the annual Marion Landing Bazaar. If you are separating such things as day lilies, amaryllis, gingers, or other spreading plants this fall, please put a couple extras in pots and bring them to the Clubhouse on October 31 before you go out to celebrate Halloween! **If you happen to have some extra pots of any type that you no longer want, we could use those sometime soon. Some of us have plants but not enough pots to put them in. Please call one of us to let us know and we can pick them up if necessary.** Or if you have some house plants that are in need of new homes, bring them too. Because of space limitations, we will be unable to take large quantities of plants ahead of time, but if you have something to donate and will be out of town the weekend of the Bazaar, please give one of us a call and we'll try to accommodate you.



If you have garden related tools that you no longer need, we will accept those as well, but only on the day of set-up please.

Last, if you can help set up on Friday, October 31, sometime in the morning or early afternoon, or work on Saturday, November 1, please give one of us a call (Ginny at 622-4946 or Gloria at 861-7793).

BOOK NOTES

by Doris Eaton

The Marion Landing Library in the Clubhouse is open to all community residents. Books are borrowed on the honor system. When you have read them, please return them to the basket in the Library. They will be shelved by our daily volunteers. Books are donated by our residents and the Library workers shelve the books so the latest ones are used and duplication is avoided.



Please donate books that were printed over 15 years ago to the Marion Landing Bazaar which is held in November. Adventure and suspense novels have been integrated into the mystery novel section for easier shelving.

The window blinds have been found partially or totally closed recently. Whether you closed them for glare or privacy, please open the blinds when you leave the Library.

THE NEW ENGLAND CLUB

by Joyce Gloman & Rhea Rouquie

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there was no luncheon in September. We want our members to know that the luncheons will resume in October. Please look for a notice of the next location on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board.

DELIVERY PERSON NEEDED

by Marie Callog

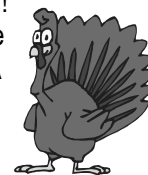
There is an urgent need for a volunteer to take on the responsibility of delivering copies of *The Communicator* to 9 Block Captains in the vicinity of 62nd Court and 63rd Avenue (or within a block or two of these streets). Deliveries are made at the end of each month. If you can assist us, please call: Juanita Colmer at 237-2762, Esther Goff at 873-1481, or me at 873-1698.



PRIME TIMERS & FRIENDS

by Linda Blaz

Come one, come all and pamper yourself for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 27! Please join us to sit back, relax, and enjoy the bus ride, food, friends, and entertainment. A bus will pick us up at the Marion Landing Lifestyle Center to travel to the Show Palace near Orlando, where we will have a soup to dessert buffet before enjoying the Holiday Show.



Please call Florence Lang (237-9520) no later than November 3 to make your reservations. The cost is \$69 per person and includes the bus, fun, frolic, food, and the Holiday Show. Join in on the festivities as the holiday season begins



BAZAAR BAKE SALE

by Mary Jo Eggers & Pat Smith

Pat Smith, Mary Jo Eggers, and their helpers will be contacting Marion Landing residents shortly for contributions to the Bake Sale for our Annual Bazaar. We will be accepting home-baked goods on Friday, October 31, from 2 to 5 PM at the Clubhouse. We hope you'll make your favorite cake, pie, bread recipe, or other sweet treat that can be purchased the day of the sale. Just a reminder...sugar-free treats are a huge success, too.



Please wrap in Saran or other clear plastic wrap and label if sugar-free or nuts are included.

FYI FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

by Shirley Pohlers, Chairperson

Just a reminder to let you know that Sherwin Williams Paint has offered Marion Landing Homeowners a 20% discount on paint and supplies (brushes, tape and other merchandise).

When shopping, be sure to:

- Use your special ML discount number 971770367 before they ring up your purchases.
- Your discount will be included in each item shown and not as a total on your receipt.

CERT TRAINING

by Ed Fish

Ten members of the CERT Team were recertified in CPR and the AED on September 18. The training was provided by Norm Scott and Roger Januchowski from the Emergency Management Division of the Marion County Sheriff's Department. Administrating CPR is a process that is updated on a regular basis. Thanks to Norm and Roger, we are now up to speed. They did a great job presenting this life-saving training to us.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MGR.

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you need to cut the grass more often to maintain a neat appearance. If there is no response to this, I write a letter to the homeowner saying they need to mow the grass. If I still see no improvement on the property, I send out a letter via registered mail stating that Marion Landing will invoke its right to go onto the property and cut the grass. Before mailing, this letter is taken to a Board meeting for approval. Marion Landing then maintains the property and the cost becomes a special assessment against the homeowner. Since I only do site inspections every two weeks, if you see a property not being maintained, please let me know. But never mow the property. That delays my process, since I take pictures to prove there is a violation.

CATS-CATS-CATS

Though I am a big animal lover, I need to remind you to keep all animals in your house or on a leash. Many homeowners believe cats are allowed to run free. This is not allowed in Marion Landing or the County for that matter. If you love your pet, please keep it on the patio or in the house where it is safe. Many homeowners have called me to get Animal Control out to pick up a stray cat. Don't let your cat be picked up as a stray.



THE "NEW PRETENDERS" VARIETY SHOW

by Pam Guenther

The "New Pretenders" Variety Show is scheduled to perform here at the Marion Landing Lifestyle Center on Sunday, November 9, from 3 to 5 PM. Tickets will go on sale October 14 for \$2 each. This is a musical "singing and swinging" show which incorporates a variety of music, dancing and comedy to entertain the crowd. The group, which originated at On Top of the World, consists of 25 performers. They now perform all over Marion County.

You won't want to miss this one! Be sure to get your tickets early.

Thank You



Many, many thanks to my friends and Hospice for the visits, cards, food, phone calls, flowers, and prayers while I was in the hospital and at home. Thank you to the Sunshine Committee too for the lovely plant and cards.

Bea Castro

I want to take this opportunity to thank all my friends, neighbors, and the Sunshine Committee for all their calls, visits, cards, and food since I got home from the hospital. I appreciate all your hospitality.

Fondly, your best friends,
Evelyn Sawyer

Thank you for the beautiful plant and cards during my surgery. Your prayers were really appreciated also. Marion Landing is a caring and loving place to live. The Sunshine Committee does a great job.

Love and Prayers,
Pat Harford

A big THANK YOU to Rog Patterson for all the photos he has taken for *The Communicator* over the years. Rog has decided to retire from this service to the community and we are grateful for all his dedication. We also want to say "Thank You" in advance to several folks who have agreed to submit photos of the Volunteer of the Month, as well as other subjects, in the future.

The Editors



Please e-mail *Communicator* articles to:

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OR

place articles in *Communicator* box under the clipboards in the Lifestyle Center.



In Remembrance

Paul Vandevender	August 19
Herb Hallgren	August 31
Rich Onorato	September 8
Gert Jacobs	September 11



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Birthdays & Anniversaries *by Merle Gaugler*

October Birthdays

1. Peg Cermak, Harold Scott, Nancy Holmes, Elma Wilcutts, Neil Williams
2. John Hutchinson
4. Wayne Eaton, Rose Casale, Dominick Marinello, John Engelhardt
5. Rita Woch, Eileen Stannard
6. Margaret Moore
7. Dorothy Carson
8. Ted Jarvis, Judy Stetz
9. Marion South
10. Mary Brown, Tina Tate
11. Carl Whitaker, Ann Harger, Ray White, Mike Gillo
12. Jerry Mutz, Steven Stetz
13. Chuck Stannard
14. Winell White, Bud Stevens, Joni Rausnitz, Peggy DeStefano, Ann Wodrich
15. Jack Mergler, Jack Volkmar, Teresa Hamilton, Ana Perez, Tony Martin, Bobbie Bailey
17. Frank Koch, Jim Reed
18. Dolores Firenzi, Jean Nelting, Nanci Anderson
19. Phyllis Curia
21. Dutch Beaman, Gloria Feltrin, Flo Oreggia, Chuck Cusick
22. Barney Fassnacht, Mary Jo Eggers
23. John Renadette
24. Dotty McEntee
25. Arlene Bielicki
26. Margaret Goodroe, Elmer Broyles
27. Vivian Allik, Bruce Flaig, Carlos Cordero, Gary South
28. Kay Martens, David Novilla
29. Janis Hendershot
30. June Mengel, Jerry Hurley
31. Anthony Anderson

October Anniversaries

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| 2, 2003 | Ida & Anthony Barone | |
| 2, 1954 | Nancy & Jim Patton | 54 yrs |
| 3, 1975 | Kay & Rick Martens | |
| 4, 1952 | Carol & Marv Anderson | 56 yrs |
| 5, 2002 | Marian & Dan Curtin | |
| 6, 1946 | Jackie & Vince Santone | 62 yrs |
| 7, 1972 | Lorraine & Ed DeMauex | |
| 8, 1966 | Susan & Chuck Kiger | |
| 8, 1950 | Donna & Bob Ventrice | 58 yrs |
| 8, 1949 | Joyce & Irv Gloman | 59 yrs |
| 9, 1947 | Eleanor & Al Christiano | 61 yrs |
| 11, 1952 | Rose & David Peters | 56 yrs |
| 11, 1957 | Marge & Charles Hoerr | 51 yrs |
| 11, 1958 | Shirley & Bill Knights | |
| 11, 1969 | Janice & Jerry Wood | |
| 14, 1954 | Fay & Carl Millard | 54 yrs |
| 14, 1961 | Evelyn & Arnold Olsen | |
| 15, 1949 | Camille & Al Manfredi | 59 yrs |
| 15, 1958 | Nadine & Clarence Perry | 50 yrs |
| 17, 1965 | Erlene & Gerald Stamper | |
| 18, 1958 | Ginny & Jim Dillon | 50 yrs |
| 19, 1990 | Sharan & Fred Reif | |
| 19, 1949 | Olga & Adem Mehinovich | 59 yrs |
| 20, 1980 | Connie & Hank Cedrone | |
| 21, 1972 | Dorothy & Rick Karr | |
| 21, 1950 | Betty & George Robey | 58 yrs |
| 24, 1953 | Joan & Frank Koch | 55 yrs |
| 25, 1991 | Judy & Don Ervin | |
| 26, 2002 | Elaine & Harrison Arnold | |
| 26, 1957 | Linda & Dave Leffler | 51 yrs |
| 26, 1946 | Ruth & Bud Gellenthin | 62 yrs |
| 28, 1953 | Anne & Tom Williams | 55 yrs |
| 31, 1959 | Jan & Bill Doudna | |

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
"THE COMMUNICATOR"**



OCT. '91 - OCT. '08

November

1. Robert Pierce, Jr.
2. Marlene Sparkman, Peggy Baxter, John Kalivoda
3. Evelyn Rhoads, Lucille Sweers
4. David Nagy, Bill Fling
6. Gertrude Kolbe, Al Cohen, Tim Nelting
7. Joy Stiger

November

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|---------|-------------------------|--------|
| 2, 1980 | Connie & Stan Simonow | |
| 2, 1990 | Carolyn & John Sherlock | |
| 2, 1996 | Bev & Bud Stevens | |
| 8, 1952 | Joan & John Dianora | 56 yrs |