



## February 2021 Edgewater Club Inc. Newsletter

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### NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Don Messier

As your newly elected President, I hope all of our members are staying well and healthy, and those of us who are here, are enjoying our great clubhouse; regards to our members who are still up north; I wish you nothing but the best of health, and look forward to seeing you soon.

Although it's only been a short while since you, the membership, has chosen me to lead and represent your interests in the Edgewater Club, I consider it an honor and privilege to do so, and look forward to meeting with our new Board of Directors as we move forward to continue to make the Edgewater Club a safe and enjoyable place to live and play.

I would like to extend my gratitude to our past President, Sue Campbell, who has served this clubhouse for many years, in many capacities, and the last six years, as our President. Sue, the board thanks you for your dedication and leadership over the years, and wishes you nothing but the best. It's now your time to sit back, relax, and enjoy your retirement and the fruits of your labor here at the Edgewater Club. To Dennis Tinsley, I thank you, for your dedication to the Edgewater Club Board of Directors and wish you nothing but the best as well. Also, to the newly elected directors, Anne Steele and David Smith, I look forward to working with you and our board as we move forward to represent our membership in 2021.

Finally, to our members, please feel free to reach out to me or any of your board members with any comments, concerns, or suggestions, for it is with your continued support that we will make Edgewater Club our happy place! Please, Stay Safe, Wash your hands, and continue with Social Distancing as we make our way through this pandemic.



### TREASURER'S REPORT

by Irene Chmura

I want to thank everyone who voted for me in the past election. I pledge to continue to serve the members of the Edgewater Club to the best of my ability. I sincerely appreciate all your support.

This is just a reminder that the Edgewater Club dues of \$250 are due by January 31, 2021. Late fees of 1.5% will be added for each month that the dues are late. You can mail your check to the Edgewater Club, 2840 Waxwing Lane, Englewood, FL 34224 or drop your check off at my house at 2710 Tanager Lane. I have a box inside my lanai on the steps for your dues payments. If your dues are not received before February 1st, your membership status becomes inactive and your key cards will be turned off until the dues are paid. Until the club reopens again, the dues are our only source of income, so your support in paying your dues on time is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### NEW MEMBERS

*Welcome*

**Connie Murray & Jim Ingram**, 6257 Greenfinch Rd., Tel: 314-609-7425 Connie 626-209-7402 Jim;  
Email: [adaptation180@yahoo.com](mailto:adaptation180@yahoo.com)

**Carlton & Karen Fraker**, 6281 Bob White Dr., Tel 419-345-1475 Carlton 419-367-1055 Karen;  
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**LEMON BAY ISLES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION** by Nancy Fournier

For those Property Owners just returning, welcome back. We have missed you!

At the January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, LBI Board Meeting, Nancy Fournier was elected to fill the vacancy of President as per our By-laws. The position will be filled until the elections are held at the Annual Meeting which was postponed until further notice due to the pandemic concerns. In keeping with our by-laws, Clara Kustra was then elected by the Board to fill the vacant Vice-President position until January 2022, when that unexpired term is completed. The Board is hopeful to have its Annual Meeting and Elections yet this season, if conditions improve here in Florida, to allow us to safely have a meeting. Meanwhile, we are sharing the Board Meeting Minutes as soon as the Board approves them, via email, thanks to Bill Butland. If you do not receive these, please contact Bill Butland with your current email address so that you will get the most up-to-date information of what is going on in LBI. If you have any questions or concerns about the Board Minutes, please feel free to contact any Board Member to discuss them.

A reminder for everyone who has not yet paid their 2021 Dues – they are due by **January 31<sup>st</sup>**. **Effective February 1<sup>st</sup>, there is an additional late fee of \$5.00. Please make your check out for \$25.00 payable to LBI – POA** and drop off, or mail to Nancy Fournier, at 6263 Parakeet Road, Englewood, Florida 34224. Board Members will be coming to your house to collect in person, or mailing you a late notice incurring additional costs for postage.

A huge thank you to the crew who came up to the front entrance on January 9<sup>th</sup> to disassemble the Christmas lights and wreaths and store them away until next year. Also a shout out to Sharon Baczynski and Bonnie Hartman for the great job they did up at the front entrance sprucing up the landscaping, filling two large lawn bags with air plants, vines and debris. We are so lucky to have so many dedicated volunteers here in LBI.

The Board has appointed an Audit Committee to complete its yearly audit of the Treasurer's books. The committee consists of Carol Roffe, Jake Callier and Carl Snow. We will share the audit once completed with the membership.

**Housekeeping items for this month:** According to our Deed Restrictions it is your responsibility, even if you are not coming down to Florida this winter, to make sure your home is power washed, trees trimmed, and yard weeded and mowed as needed.

Be a considerate pet owner – pick up after your pet, and if you walk on a long leash, please do not let your pet wander up into a yard and do their business. Dogs must be kept on a leash. If off your property, this is not only in our deed restrictions but is a Charlotte County law. If there are issues with this, please contact Animal Control.

There should be no parking of any non-auto/truck vehicles (boats, trailers, motor homes, etc.), that are not under a carport. No RV shall be parked or stored on the owner's property for more than five (5) consecutive calendar days within any thirty (30) day period (please see Deed Restriction #13 for further information).

**If you are selling your home, please contact Patti Minke @ 941- 941-474-3860 for an Application for the new Owner.**

Friendly reminder – walk against traffic and ride with traffic; Remember that the speed limit throughout the park is 25 MPG.

*Please stay healthy and safe...remember the 3 W's-wear your mask, wash your hands and wait 6 feet apart.*

*Wherever you are spending your winter... remember...LBI is our "little piece of paradise"!!!*

## HOLIDAY ESTATES III HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

by Arvilla P. Collins

This is my last newsletter as President of Holiday Estates III. I will have served six years in this position. It has been an honor for me to work with everyone in this park. You, as homeowners are so fortunate to have people who work for you, the members. In my six years, I have never felt that anyone on the board, including myself, has tried to force their ideas on you. They listen and do the best they can, as volunteers and not experts, to serve. Thank you all.

Please review your deed restrictions any time you are planning on making a change to your property. Deed restrictions go with your property, not the homeowners association. Some people have said, "I'm not a member of the HOA so I don't have to abide by the deed restrictions". Not true. You can call any board member to have the Projects and Inspections Committee come out and check your property to make sure you are within the boundaries. If you do not have a copy, you can go to the Edgewater Club website, click on HOA III, to find a copy of the deed restrictions and by-laws. Because we live in what some people call God's waiting room, we have a lot of turnover in property sales. This means that we need to remind people often of the procedures. You also may need a permit from the county, state, Florida Fish and Wildlife, or some other federal agency as we have lakes that are over 10 acres.

We are still getting complaints that people walking their dogs are not cleaning up after them.

Also, we do have a few people and some delivery drivers who still think Blue Heron is a race track.

Also, just a reminder of the age restriction. This is a single family park which means you cannot have family members living with you. If you have questions, contact the Board of Directors.

It has been a pleasure serving you. Stay safe and help others to do the same.

## SUNSHINE NEWS

by Mary Barney



**Get well cards sent to: Charlie Summers**, of 1526 Blue Heron Dr. had surgery for an aneurysm; all went well. Cards can be sent to 438 Dry Hill Rd., Boxborough, MA, 01719.

**Sympathy cards sent to: Ray Striker**, of 1311 Mallard Dr. on the passing of his wife Susan; **Attilis Caporicco**, of 52 Wenderly Dr., Toronto ON, M6B 2P2 on the passing of his sister; **Maria Cornacchia**, of 1425 Sanderling Ave., (4640 Kimbermount Ave, Apt. 306, Mississauga, ON), on the passing of her husband; **Richard McInroy**, of 1365 Sanderling Ave., **Harry & Bridget McInroy**, of 6161 Redwing, **James & Marge McInroy**, of 6287 Oriole Blvd., **Dave & Lori McInroy**, of 1405 Sanderling Dr., and **Bob & Rhonda McInroy**, of 6167 Partridge Ave., on the passing of Joan, wife, mother, and cousin, from congestive heart failure. **Kay Macgregor**, formerly of Mallard St., (339 Fox Run Lane, Pell City, AL, 35125), on the passing of her husband from Covid at a VA hospital in Alabama; **Ruth Hart and daughter Cindy**, of 6381 Partridge Ave, on the death of Bob, son and brother, who passed away from cancer; **Sandy Bowden**, of 6107 Partridge Ave., (47 Patton St., Rochester, NH, 03867), on the sudden death of her husband Jim; **Robert & Pat Schaefer**, (3105 Conway Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33952), on the death of Robert's brother Gus, **Bonnie Roussin** formerly of Falcon Dr., (1 Strecker Rd., Apt 115, Ellisville, MO), on the passing of her husband Don from Covid. Correction from last month's newsletter: I reported sending a get well card to Joan Smith, of 6125 Redwing, should have been to Joan White.

I want to wish everyone a happy February; remember the 14<sup>th</sup>, wash your hands and stay safe. Blessings.

## PICKLE BALL

by Fritz Dostie

Pickle ball is played every Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. If you want to learn the game come on out. We're always willing to help you learn the rules and scoring method. Come and join the fun.

**ANNUAL TIDEWELL HOSPICE NIGHT**

by Nancy Fournier - Chair



***"Hospice Care is like having angels to hold you until your wings are ready!"***

The Edgewater Club's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Tidewell Hospice Night scheduled for Friday, March 5, 2021 has been canceled due to the pandemic. Over the past eighteen years, the Edgewater Club has been a champion for hospice care in Charlotte County, giving more than \$70,000 to Tidewell Hospice, now the Tidewell Foundation, to support crucial services in the local community that rely on donations and support. Tidewell's mission statement is *helping people live well by providing care, comfort, and compassion*. Despite the challenges of 2020, Tidewell continues to support families here in Charlotte County, bringing hope and brightening lives with the sustained and longtime support of donors like The Edgewater Club, who ensure that all Tidewell's programs can continue to grow to serve more Charlotte County families, by supporting additional programs like Tidewell's hospice services, specialized care for veterans, and music therapy.

Last year, at our 2020 event, we received donations totaling **\$8,493** to make a difference for those in need. My goal every year has been to surpass the previous year. I do not think that will happen this year since many people are not down here, but I sure would like to present Tidewell with a sizeable donation from the Edgewater Club even though our annual event will not take place. Please consider donating to this worthwhile cause, and make your check payable to EDGEWATER CLUB (we will have one check for the total amount sent from Edgewater Club) and mail it to Nancy Fournier, 6263 Parakeet Road, Englewood, Florida 34224. **I would like to have all donations by March 5<sup>th</sup> if possible.** If you would like to drop a check off at my house, that would be fantastic. The members of our community are so big hearted and giving, and we are incredibly fortunate to have a beautiful Tidewell House just down the road, at 12050 N. Access Road, Englewood, Florida.

Tidewell of course, also offers in-home and assisted living facility hospice care in addition to Hospice House.

Please know that there are no expenses incurred for this yearly event as everything from the tickets to the new Hospice Banner, to the tablecloths and centerpieces have always been donated. **100% of the money donated goes to Tidewell Hospice with the stipulation that it is to be used locally here in Charlotte County as we have always requested.**

**BROADWAY PALM DINNER THEATER**

by Pat Cameron



This has been a difficult time in our lives. Never would we have thought we would encounter months of staying at home, wearing masks everywhere we went, and endless broadcasts telling us how many have died. The flu has always been with us in some form, but this has been surreal.

With that said, we have still participated in small numbers enjoying two performances and driving ourselves. The last presentation scheduled this season is called ON YOUR FEET. The life and music performances of a couple named Emilio and Gloria Estephan came to Broadway in 2015. This performance is a duplicate of that Broadway show. It is full of music, singing and dancing. Gloria made the Conga routine in dance popular after her arrival from Cuba in the 70's. She began her career singing with the Miami Sound Machine and met her husband Emilio who was the band leader. They have had a long history of bringing Latin music.

The matinee performance is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10. Unless a large number sign up so that a bus can be scheduled, we will carpool and leave at 10.00 that day. The projected cost will be \$65. PLEASE CALL ME BY FEBRUARY 10 IF YOU WISH TO GO!!! I need to let the theater know the approximate number of seats we will need. Pat Cameron 417-230-1008 or Bob @ 474.4358. If I have not heard from anyone I will cancel the show altogether.

## FOOD PANTRY

by Margaret Ertz

Donations to the St. David's Episcopal Church Jubilee Center Food Bank continue to come in each week. Thank you! Thank you! Some weeks more donations come in than other weeks, but nonetheless, everything you donate to the Jubilee Center is received with great appreciation. Each week Allan and I shop for you with the money you donate. It really makes a difference in what we provide each week. Did you know that besides the Food Pantry, there is a used clothing shop next door? It's open Tuesday mornings from 10 a.m. - noon. Drop items off at the Food Pantry building. All items must be washed and in good condition. Keep them in mind when you're cleaning out your closets and drawers. Allen and I wish all of you a Happy Valentine's Day!



**NEWS:** It's not easy letting go of something you love doing. Allen and I have made the decision to step down from running the Edgewater Club Food Bank. We stepped up to take over almost two years ago and have really enjoyed it. As of March 1<sup>st</sup> however, we will no longer be able to continue volunteering for the Edgewater Club Food Donation Program. All of our donations are given to the St. David's Episcopal Church Jubilee Center Food Bank. Ruth Hill, Administrator, and volunteers greet us each week with happy smiles. They are so grateful for all the donations they receive from our membership. We even see some of our Club members volunteering there, and others driving their own cars and donating on Tuesdays!

We are sad to have to take this decision, and look forward to somebody else taking over this program. We welcome your interest. We need someone by March 1st. Please contact Margaret Ertz at 941-475-4894 or Allan Dupuis at 941-266-7574.

Thanks to all of you.



## SWIM CLASSES

by Lee Cavey

Well, if the weather is 70 and above, meet me at the pool. Miss all of you.

## TENNIS

by Linda Annunziello

Men's tennis is on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 and Women's tennis follows the men from 9:30 to 11:00. Saturday morning at 8:30 is open tennis for both men and women. Friday from 12:00 to 4:00 there is Mixed Doubles.



We would love to have new people join us.