



FORWARD

Labor Day is a United States federal holiday observed on the first Monday in September. The holiday originated in 1882 as the Central Labor Union (of New York City) sought to create "a day off for the working citizens".

Congress made Labor Day a federal holiday in 1894.^[1] All fifty states have made Labor Day a state holiday.

Traditionally, Labor Day is celebrated by most Americans as the symbolic end of the summer.

Labor Day has been celebrated on the first Monday in September in the United States since the 1880s. The form for the celebration of Labor Day was outlined in the first proposal of the holiday—a street parade to exhibit to the public "the strength and esprit de corps of the trade and labor organizations," followed by a festival for the workers and their families. This became the pattern for Labor Day celebrations. Speeches by prominent men and women were introduced later, as more emphasis was placed upon the economic and civil significance of the holiday. Still later, by a resolution of the American Federation of Labor convention of 1909, the Sunday preceding Labor Day was adopted as Labor Sunday and dedicated to the spiritual and educational aspects of the labor movement.

Today, Labor Day is often regarded as a day of rest and, compared to the May 1 Labour Day celebrations in most countries, parades, speeches or political demonstrations are more low-key, although especially in election years, events held by labor organizations often feature political themes and appearances by candidates for office. Forms of celebration include picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays, water sports, and public art events. Families with school-age children take it as the last chance to travel before the end of summer. Some teenagers and young adults view it as the last weekend for parties before returning to school. However, as of late, schools have begun well before Labor Day, as early as the July 24 in many urban districts, including major southern cities in the United States such as Atlanta, Miami, and Los Angeles. In addition, Labor Day marks the beginning of the season for the National Football League and NCAA College Football. The NCAA usually plays their first games the weekend of Labor day, with the NFL traditionally playing their first game the Thursday following Labor Day.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

By Bill Leonhard

NEW ROAD AND OTHER CONCERNS

To continue the progress of the New Road – I informed you that work had stopped on July 11, 2008. Effective August 20, 2008 a notice to return to work was issued to Lovin Construction, Inc. This was made possible because the City received the necessary paperwork (the original Public Purpose Quitclaim Deed) dated August 1, 2008 from the State and the City gave permission for work to proceed.

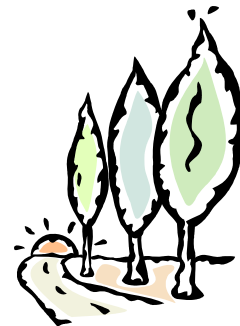
I then received the Warranty Deed for the land swap between Oakwood Manor and the City from Attorney Michael Connolly (Assistant City Attorney) and on August 12 I signed and had notarized the Warranty Deed. The City is now getting their Warranty Deed approved and signed in preparation to affect the land swap with Oakwood Manor.

Last month I mentioned work was in progress to develop the “Roadway and Pond Maintenance Agreement” between the City and Oakwood Manor. Tom Wilcox (our engineer) stated he believed that keeping Oakwood Manor in mind the agreement is as good as it can be. I received it on August 18 and on August 20 I signed and had notarized the Road-



way and Pond Maintenance Agreement. The City received all of the copies back to their Attorney Connolly at 11:22 a.m., August 21, 2008. Unless there is other paperwork to be completed I believe we are now waiting for the closing date to make all paperwork and land swap final and legal.

The contractor will be working on reconfiguring the pond and making it suitable for SWFTMD'S requirements as well as the blueprints from the engineer. Work on the road will proceed as they work on the pond. The actual creating of the road surface and the wall will be the next projects after the road/pond work is completed.



PLEASE NOTE:

It has been brought to our attention that some people have driven up to the work sight, gotten out of their vehicle and walked around the work sight. This is dangerous for the person trespassing. The Contractor does not like this as well as his insurance company has problems with it. NO ONE has any reason nor should be on the construction sight unless they have permission from the contractor or his representative.

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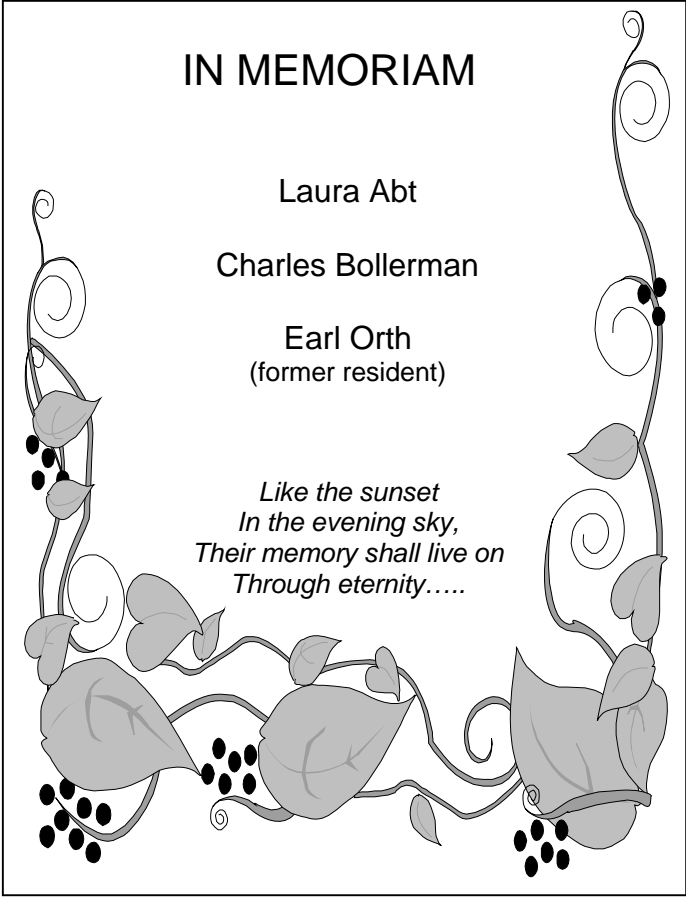
IN MEMORIAM

Laura Abt

Charles Bollerman

Earl Orth
(former resident)

*Like the sunset
In the evening sky,
Their memory shall live on
Through eternity.....*



TREASURER'S REPORT

July 31, 2008

By Frank Dawes

For the month of July we had Operating Income of \$82,880 and Operating Expenses of \$66,498 resulting in an Operating Profit of \$16,382. Year to date we had Operating Income of \$600,431 and Operating Expenses of \$522,278 resulting in an Operating Profit year to date of \$78,153. To be noted we had Sales Commissions for the month of \$6,581.

At the end of July our Cash Balances were Operating \$120,585 and Replacement Fund \$605,988. The Notes Receivable from owners was \$78,849. Our Mortgage and Notes Payable balances were: Mortgage \$150,867 and Notes Payable Entry/Exit \$228,013. Our first payment for construction on the new exit was \$87,784 which represents the increase in the Notes Payable balance for the month.

Additions to Fixed Assets for the month of July were: the bridge replacement on the East side \$6,867, seal coating of East side streets \$22,998 and HDR Engineering \$8,778 and Lovin Construction \$87,784. (The Exit/Entry project is finally underway.)

Potluck Dinner



Wednesday, September 24, 2008
5:30 PM
Bring a Dish to Share

Check out pictures of the "road" progress on our web site at:

<http://oakwoodmanorassoc.com/newroad.htm>



MANAGER'S REPORT

By Jewell Coons

Due to a number of units that have been sold privately, it was requested that we publish a motion that was passed at a meeting on April 17, 2000.

The motion tabled on December 20, 1999 was re-introduced. It states, "If a resident decides to purchase a new manufactured mobile home outside of our Real Estate Office, the dealer must pay Oakwood Manor Homeowners Association a fee of \$500.00 before the home can be placed on the lot. This fee will help cover the administrative cost of the Association, work and maintenance staff to enforce all our Rules and Regulations of the Association. So moved by Grunewald. Seconded by Buscher. Motion passed.

RECENT QUESTIONS SUGGEST A REVIEW OF RULES:

64. Selling, Soliciting and Sub-letting
There will be no soliciting in the park by commercial companies, non-profit organizations, churches, or charitable groups. Carport sales will not be announced at any park function but announcements of such sales may be placed on the bulletin boards in the clubhouse and laundry and on in-house TV channel.

UPCOMING MAIL OUTS:

PLEASE inform the Park Office when you have a change in your mailing address. In the upcoming months the Association will have several mail-outs, and we desperately need the correct mailing address.

I NEED OPINIONS CONCERNING AREAS IN THE PARK THAT NEED ATTENTION:

If you see an area or structure that you feel needs attention, repair or replacement in the park, please inform the Park Office. At the present time I am working on next years budget so perhaps it could be included.

CABLE AND PHONE LINES:

Did you or have you put up protective bricks, blocks, landscape logs or whatever to prevent the weed-eaters from damaging your SKIRTING, TV CABLE LINE or your VERIZON PHONE LINE? If not, when you call me to check out your lines because of Plantation employees cutting them, you will have to pay for repairs.

NOTICE:

Due to a possible increase in monthly Maintenance Fee for 2009, please do not prepay maintenance past December 2008.

POOL AREA:

Please put chairs back under tables, put lounges in order of line they were in before you moved them, and take time to put trash in the trashcan. Why should the Association pay a maintenance man to rearrange the chairs and lounges each day?

WELCOME TO YOUR SHARE IN PARADISE

By Nancy Weber

Joyce Lemieux
407 Oakwood Blvd. E.

2005 INSPECTION FORMS

The first inspection forms which I mailed out were approximately 275 in 2005. Last week I inspected the east and west side with only 55 being mailed out. THANK YOU to all residents for having their planters and flower beds weeded, bushes trimmed and homes pressure washed.



Joyce is a full time resident and comes to us from Bennington, Vermont. She has come to Florida for the last twenty one years and up until two years ago, had lived in our park for six years. She lived other places over the last two years, but there is no place like home and that is what Oakwood Manor is to Joyce. She bought her home in February.

Joyce loves to cross-stitch and she plays bridge with the bridge club in the club house. She has done crafts in the past and she also loves to read. She worked for years as a L P N and just retired a year ago. She works part time at the Publix Gulf Gate store in the deli department and loves it. She enjoys working with people.

She has two sons, one daughter and seven grandchildren. She also has one great grandchild. One son lives in North Port and the rest of the family are in Vermont.

She does have a lot of favorite restaurants but her favorite is Mrs.Chen's.

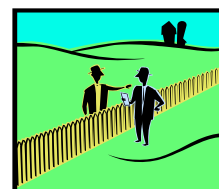
Joyce really likes it in Oakwood and loves all that it has to offer. She enjoys the stage shows, going to breakfast club and when she is settled, will probably find more things to do.

Welcome to Oakwood Manor Joyce, happy to have you as a neighbor.

THANK YOU

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Security Officer Dorothy "Dottie" Meehan for her years of dedicated work for Oakwood Manor. Dorothy has been one of our afternoon Security Officers for the past 11 years.

This is a big THANK YOU Dorothy for your faithful service to Oakwood manor.



TRAVEL TALK

By Sharon Rump

There are still a few seats left for: SOCIAL SECURITY - EARLY BIRD THEATRE - CLEARWATER—THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 - \$63.00

Upon arrival at *Early Bird Dinner Theatre* in Clearwater, enjoy a bountiful all-you-can-eat luncheon buffet. Sit back and enjoy, *Social Security!* The domestic tranquility of a married couple who are art dealers is shattered upon the arrival of the wife's goody goody nerd of a sister, the sister's uptight CPA husband, and her Archetypal Jewish Mother. They are there to try to save their college student daughter from the horrors of living only for sex. The comic sparks really begin to fly when the mother hits it off with the elderly minimalist artist who is the art dealer's best client! This delightful comedy is sure to be a hit. There are still some openings on the signup sheet, but don't delay. The snowbirds will start returning and you don't want to miss the opportunity to see such a fun filled show.

In October we will return to the Broadway Palms. *"BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN TEXAS"* WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008 - \$74.00

Arrive at the *Broadway Palms Dinner Theatre*. Begin with salad bar then indulge in the hot entree buffet and the lavish dessert bar. Sit back and enjoy *Best Little Whorehouse in Texas!* When her legendary house of ill-repute is ordered to be closed down by the governor Miss Mona and her girls take on the establishment in this rip-roaring, high octane production! Includes the songs "*Hard Candy Christmas*" and "*The Aggie Song*." There are a few more seats available so don't delay.

The cruise is getting closer and I know I am getting more excited by the week. If you have not filled out your Funpass to expedite check-in at the pier, please do so as soon as possi-

LADIES LUNCHEON

By Luann Hochard

The setting for our August 6th luncheon was pineapples and macadamia nuts and a luau buffet. We learned some interesting facts about Hawaii as we celebrated our 50th state. Many of the ladies wore Hawaiian fashions and accessories. Some interesting and funny stories were shared of visits made to the islands.

The next luncheon will be on Wednesday, September 3rd at 11:30. If you wish to bring a salad, call Evelyn at 906-1409 or Luann at 365-6596.

A reservation list is posted for your convenience. Thank you.



ble. You will need to have the information for the bus transport:

First Class
Florida Gulf Coast
Bus #25
Departs from Ft. Lauderdale at 9:00 AM
Arriving in Bradenton at 2:00 PM

If you have any problems with your Funpass, give me a call at 941-587-1927 and I will try and help you out.

Watch the October issue of the Acorn for a listing of the new and exciting trips that have been scheduled for the winter season.

Happy traveling!

MICE-K-TEERS

By Sharon Rump



We have started to line up the schedule for the coming season and will start our open labs on Monday, September 22 at 6:30 pm and Wednesday, September 24 at 11:00 am. The room will be open with someone to help with questions, problems and general advice to make your computing experience more enjoyable and interesting. We hope to open a few more days/times when the snowbirds return and life in Oakwood Manor returns to normal.

I have had several requests for advice on buying a new computer. While I do not necessarily recommend upgrading to Vista on an old machine, I would never advise purchasing a new machine that didn't have the latest operating system installed. Also, I do not recommend having the new operating system working in the "classic" mode. We all need to step forward and learn the latest technology as the "old stuff" won't be supported forever and new things can be very exciting (even if they can also be frustrating) Learning new things keeps the mind working. Everyone has heard the expression—Use it or Lose it! How true that is.

We are always looking for more volunteers to help us with the open labs. If you have a free hour or two and would like to open up the room for others to use, please let us know. We are striving for at least 5 days a week if possible. Also, if there is something particular you would like to learn, let us know and we will explore the option of having a class so everyone can learn together.

Hope you are all having a wonderful summer and look forward to computing together in the near future.

WORSHIP AT OAKWOOD MANOR

The regular schedule for Sunday afternoon worship services is 2:00 PM at the clubhouse.

Sermon topics for August are:

September 7—*God Keeps His Promises*

September 14—*God Speaks,*

Are You Listening?

September 21—*God's Storehouse For Us*

September 28—*Do You Know The Gladness*

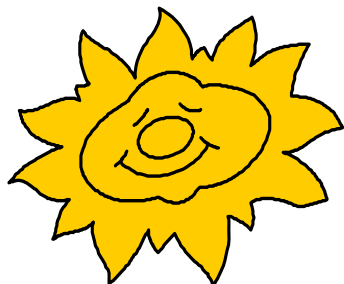
The services on September 7 and 14 will be conducted by our guest minister, Pastor David Stone. We will celebrate communion on September 14. The services on September 21 and 28 will be conducted by Pastor Charles Fore.



"Pool Party"



Saturday, September 27th
3:00 PM—??



\$7.00

Ginny Slater 366-1699



Check Bulletin Board &
Channel 16 for Details

Refreshments

Tickets on Sale
Thursday, September 11
Deadline: Thurs, Sept 25
After Deadline \$9.00



**THE PALM SINGLES
and OAKWOOD MANOR**

Will host a

LABOR DAY POT LUCK DINNER AND DANCE

Oakwood Manor Clubhouse

3330 Fruitville Road

5 PM Dinner - Dancing 6 'till 8

(Clubhouse doors will open at 4:30 pm)

Music by Chick Skyler & Friends

\$6.00 and a dish to share

Boston Market's Chicken will be the main course provided.

**(Men, included on the sign up list are sodas
and rolls - nice easy items to bring so come on out.)**

**(Ladies - we will have plenty of dances
you can do without a partner so don't stay home.)**

**You may reserve a full table but be sure to
indicate that you want one when you sign up.**

**Tickets will be sold at the Singles meetings,
on Bingo night and at Breakfast club.**

Volunteers are needed for set up and clean-up.

For further information call Bette Lou - 955-7102.

5 Things You Never Knew Your Cell Phone Could Do

For all the folks with cell phones. (This should be printed and kept in your car, purse, and wallet. Good information to have with you.) There are a few things that can be done in times of grave emergencies.

Your mobile phone can actually be a life saver or an emergency tool for survival. Check out the things that you can do with it:

1. Emergency

The Emergency Number worldwide for Mobile is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile network and there is an Emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly, this number 112 can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

2. Have you locked your keys in the car?

Does your car have remote keyless entry? This may come in handy someday. Good reason to own a cell phone: If you lock your keys in the car and the spare keys are at home, call someone at home on their cell phone from your cell phone. Hold your cell phone about a foot from your car door and have the person at your home press the unlock button, holding it near the mobile phone on their end. Your car will unlock. Saves someone from having to drive your keys to you. Distance is no object. You could be hundreds of miles away, and if you can reach someone who has the other "remote" for your car, you can unlock the doors (or the trunk).

Sharon's Note: This didn't work when I tried it using our car and remote but might work on other models.

3. Hidden Battery Power

Imagine your cell battery is very low. To activate, press the keys *3370#. Your cell phone will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell phone next time.

4. How to disable a STOLEN mobile phone?

To check your Mobile phone's serial number, key in the following Digits on your phone: *#06#. A 15-digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe.

When your phone gets stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones.

And Finally...

5. Free Directory Service for Cells

Cell phone companies are charging us \$1.00 to \$1.75 or more for 411 information calls when they don't have to. Most of us do not carry a telephone directory in our vehicle, which makes this situation even more of a problem. When you need to use the 411 information option, simply dial: (800) FREE411 or (800) 373-3411 without incurring any charge at all. Program this into your cell phone now.

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This article was sent to me about a man traveling and I thought you should hear the information.

While traveling he stopped at the roadside park, similar to what we have here with bathrooms, vending machines etc. He came out to his car less than 4-5 minutes later and found someone had gotten into his car, and stolen his cell phone, laptop computer, gps navigator, briefcase.....you name it.

They called the police and since there were no signs of his car being broken into, the police told him that there is a device that robbers are using now to clone your security code when you lock your doors on your car using your key-chain locking device..They set a distance away and watch for their next victim. Since they know you are going inside of the store, restaurant, or bathroom and have a few minutes to steal and run. The police officer said...to be sure to manually lock your car door-by hitting the lock button inside the car, that way if there is someone setting in a parking lot watching for their next victim it will not be you.

When you hit the lock button on your car upon exiting...it does not send the security code, but if you walk away and use the door lock on your key chain- it sends the code thru the airwaves where it can be stolen.



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