

SOCIAL NEWSLETTER

September 2015

*Click on the link for the
Monthly Calendar of Events.*

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Office Hours
Mon-Wed
8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Community Reminders:

Navigate on ThePlantationOnline.net Website



Haven't registered on ThePlantationOnline.net before? Just click "Register" on the upper-right of the page and enter your HOA account number and name - the site will walk you through the rest from there! Forgot your password? Just click "Login" and then use the forgot password link!

Please be sure to visit the website for any amendments to Covenants from time to time. You will also find information about your association, meeting notices, downloadable documents and more.

Community Classifieds Web Page



Remember that one of the privileges of being a resident at The Plantation is that you have the opportunity to create your own classified and post it on the community's website. It's easy and quick. Go to www.theplantationonline.net. After you login select Classifieds on the top right hand corner of the page. Once you are on the page you will be able to create your post.

Golf Carts

Please note that golf carts are not allowed to be driven or parked in the breezeway at Somerset Hall as this can damage the pavers.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation!



Pool Umbrellas

Once again we kindly request that you do your part in helping us keep the pool umbrellas in working order by lowering them when you are finished using them or when you see inclement weather heading your way.



We thank you in advance for helping us keep the pool area enjoyable for all residents.

Reservations & Cancellation Policy:

Now you can also RSVP for certain events on the website!



Go to www.theplantationonline.net. After you login select Calendar on the top-middle of the page. Once you are on the calendar you can select any of the events that have the small gold star, fill out the information and you are registered for the event you have selected!

Please be sure to make the payment on time for the events that require pre-payment. If the payment has not been made after the deadline, the reservation does not guarantee a space. Always be sure to read the flyers and monthly e-mail newsletters to stay up-to-date!

Please be aware of the **deadlines** for each event. **No reservations will be accepted after the deadlines.** Because of the high volume of activities and to ensure efficient tracking purposes, payment is required with reservations for most of the activities. Please be sure to **RSVP in advance** if you'd like to attend an event. Advanced RSVPs are vital in planning for the appropriate amount of food and other supplies. Also, **some events have participant limits**, so we ask that you always call or e-mail to **cancel your reservation** if you can't make it. This way, other residents who may have been turned away can participate. Please note that for theater, sporting events and some other special events as specified, **ALL SALES ARE FINAL**. Cancellations for any reason including medical or family-related reasons for these types of events are subject to forfeiture of the entire cost unless the event ticket or space is re-sold, in which case a refund will be issued. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and consideration and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events!

Miromar Outlet Incentive Program

This program at Miromar Outlets will benefit the community. Special cards located in front of the Lifestyle Director's office can be turned in to the Visitor Information Kiosk, Timberland Factory or Godiva Chocolatier to receive a VIP Brochure. The brochure has discounts and offers for the mall's stores. For each card turned in to one of the above locations, Miromar will put money in to The Plantation account. Every quarter we will receive a Gift Certificate worth the accumulated monies to be used to purchase items for the community or to give as prizes at some of our events. Please pass these out to your family members and friends.



A + 4 Your Donations/Volunteering Committee



September's Drive is Cleaning Supplies!

Your support helps local homeless individuals get back on their feet!



List of suggested supplies:

Basic items such as cleaning solutions, dish soap, dishwasher soap, bleach, laundry detergent, glass cleaner and garbage bags.

You can drop the items anytime in the assigned bin located outside the offices at Somerset Hall amenity center.

A HUGE THANK YOU For Supporting August's DRIVE. Interfaith Charities of South Lee County appreciates YOU! The pantry serves San Carlos Park, Estero and Parts of Fort Myers. This outstanding team runs the Food Pantry, Literacy Program, Income Tax Service, Summer Lunch Program, Utility Assistance, Garden of Hope and Meals on Wheels, etc. For more information call (239) 267-3510.

We have an on-going food donation (yes, we collect ALL yearlong!) Just drop off anytime in the bin at the community center in Somerset Hall. Most Needed Items: Canned Soup, Peanut Butter, Canned Meats, Cereal, Canned Fruit, Dried Fruit, Macaroni & Cheese and Canned Vegetables. No glass, please!



Volunteer Opportunities

Write an article. Share your love of nature and of Lovers Key State Park through your writing skills. FOLKS (Friends of Lovers Key Inc.) are looking for volunteers to write articles about birds, shells, plants, paddling adventures, or whatever it is that you love about Lovers Key. Articles may be published in the FOLKS newsletter or Spotlight Magazine. 200-250 words for the newsletter, 350-450 words for Spotlight Magazine. No ongoing commitment is necessary. Just pick your topic and send it in via email to FOLKScampaign@gmail.com. For information, contact Susan Suarez at FOLKScampaign@gmail.com

Mentor parents. United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee Volunteer Center has recently launched a new Family Mentor Program and is partnering with the Children's Network of Southwest Florida to recruit volunteer mentors who will be trained and matched with parents who have been involved in the child welfare system and are ready to be re-united with their children. An ideal mentor will be one who can be non-judgmental, offer a minimum of an hour a week to work together with the parent(s), to offer a caring and supportive relationship to reduce the feelings of isolation. They will assist parents in the basic parenting education, knowledge and skills by teaching, coaching and modeling. To register to become a mentor or request additional information contact Patrice Cunningham at Patrice@UnitedWayLee.org or 433-2000 ext. 272. Future training classes will be announced and posted at www.UnitedWayLee.org.

If you know of any organizations looking for volunteers please contact Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-lm.com.

Social Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 1

Time: 10:45 a.m.

Somerset Community Room



You don't have to be a member of the Social Committee to get involved with the community activities!

We are looking for volunteers to help out with the different events we are having. Join us and have fun with your neighbors while we put decorations together or while we are setting up. There are always different events and many aspects of these need workers that are willing to help. Each job by itself is not hard, and collectively they add up to great events for the residents.

Do you have any ideas for new events at The Plantation? New members and ideas are welcome. It's the volunteers who make the events successful.

If you are interested in volunteering for any event or in being a part of The Plantation Social Committee please contact Colleen Benson at colleenbenson@comcast.net.

Ladies' Luncheon

Thursday, September 10

Time: 12 pm

Blu Sushi Information:
Gulf Coast Town Center
10045 Gulf Center Dr.
Fort Myers, FL
(239) 334-2583
www.blusushi.com



This Florida phenomenon is one of the most exciting and original sushi bars in the United States. Blu's American version of sushi fuses the refined art of fresh seafood creation with outrageous cocktails in a hip, fun and sophisticated atmosphere, creating an incomparable experience.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-lm.com no later than Monday, September 7.

Music Sunset-Cruise

Friday, September 11

Time: Boarding at 7 p.m.

Departure: 7:15 p.m.

Price: \$28 per person (Includes tax and gratuity.)

Pure Fort Myers Location:
2360 W. 1st Street
Fort Myers, Florida 33901
Spaces are limited.



There is nothing quite like the quiet and relaxing environment experienced while cruising on a river. Enjoy a beautiful sunset and live music while cruising the Caloosahatchee River. As the sun is setting the shoreline and river elements take on a different hue with the glow of the sunset. The wildlife is coming home to

roost and nature begins its ritual of settling down for the night.

Before the cruise join us for dinner at The Firestone Grille, Martini Bar & Sky Bar

The restaurant is located at 2224 Bay St Fort Myers, FL 33901.

The Most Unique, Historical Four-Story Building, with the Only Waterfront Rooftop Bar in Historical Downtown Fort Myers, Florida

with views of the Caloosahatchee River and the Downtown River Basin and Park, what better place in Fort Myers to dine.

[Click here](#) to view more information about the restaurant.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergree-lm.com no later than Monday, September 7.

It's time to be pampered with some Retail Therapy!

Saturday, September 12

Time: 9 a.m.

Waterside Shops

5415 Tamiami Trail N

Naples, FL 34108

A minimum of 25 participants is required for this event.



9- 10 a.m.: Private shopping at Talbots (before Talbots' opens for business); includes a continental breakfast of juice, bite-sized pastries and fruit, plus a goodie bag and lunch voucher from Waterside Shops.

10 a.m. - Noon: Shopping and FREE makeover at Nordstrom with reservation.

12- 1:30 p.m. FREE lunch at Brio's Tuscan Grille.

After lunch continue shopping at any store you wish. This will be a super fun event with activities for the kids from 4:30- 5:30 p.m.

Reservations are required to be included in this one special day of shopping and for those who like a free makeover. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-lm.com no later than Monday, September 7.

Take the Evening off and Celebrate Labor Day With us!

Monday, September 14

Time | 6 p.m.

Price: \$5 per person

Somerset Community Pool



Join us for this fun get-together!

Chill by the pool with your neighbors and enjoy a great meal.

You will get a grilled hot dog or hamburger, a delicious salad and Ice cream!

Any extra hot dog or hamburger is only \$1! (Payment and pre-order are required at the time of reservation.) Don't forget to BYOB!

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-lm.com.

Paper Crafts Workshop

Tuesday, September 15

Time: 1- 4 p.m.

Price: \$25 (Includes all supplies for 6 cards)

Bridgetown Community Room

Class is limited to 20

Come and join us for some fun as we create unique greeting cards and gifts using various techniques.

We will be making 3 different cards, but you will make 2 of each. So, you will have 6 cards! Sign up to reserve your spot. Class is limited to 20.



Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-lm.com.

CPR Training

Friday, September 18, 2015

Time: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Price: \$5 per person

Somerset Community Room

Class is limited to twelve (12) students



Get certified. Save a life. You'll be glad you did.

The Fort Myers Fire Department will be hosting a CPR certification course.

Learn how to provide immediate care in cardiac, breathing and first aid emergencies until advanced medical personnel arrive.

Anyone can learn CPR - and everyone should! Sadly, 70 percent of Americans may feel helpless to act during a cardiac emergency because they either do not know how to administer CPR or their training has significantly lapsed. This alarming statistic could hit close to home, because home is exactly where 88 percent of cardiac arrests occur. Put very simply, the life you save with CPR is most likely to be someone you love.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-ln.com.

Instant Piano Classes

Saturday, September 19

Time: 9 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

Price: \$70 per person (Includes a workbook/songbook and CD for the workshop)

Somerset Community Room

A minimum of five participants is required for this course.

If you yearn to experience the joy of playing piano but you don't want years of weekly lessons, this short course is for you. In just a few hours you can learn enough secrets of the trade to give you years of musical enjoyment.



How is it done? You will learn to play several songs right in class and then perfect your techniques at home by following the instructional, play-along CD provided. This is an absolutely beginning course in chord piano techniques that will have you playing all of your favorite songs with both hands after this one session: any song, any style, any key. Many of the professional's insider secrets will be revealed.

Topics include:

- How chords work in music
- Musician "Shortcuts"
- How to "speed read" sheet music
- How to derive all major, minor and seventh chords
- How to handle different keys and time signatures
- Simple techniques of "counting"
- How to substitute for 12,000 complex chords

Linda Medsker, your instructor, is one of just a handful of individuals in this country trained and certified to teach the Laughlin Workshops. Over 500,000 busy people have successfully studied this program nationwide since 1982.

Bring your own keyboard or share one of ours. Please download the FREE preparatory brochure at www.pianofun.com/downloads/notes.html before the class.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-ln.com. Payment is required at the time of reservation. Please make check payable to Linda Medsker.

The Holocaust Museum

Friday, September 25

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Price: \$20

4760 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 7

Sandalwood Square

Naples, FL 34103



Join us for this interesting presentation by a survivor while enjoying a continental breakfast and a private Docent-led guided tour of the museum.

Over 1,000 World War II Holocaust artifacts and original photographs are displayed chronologically from the rise of the Nazism to Allied Liberation and the Nuremburg Trials.

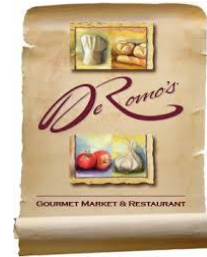
Many of the artifacts have been donated or permanently loaned by local survivors, liberators and other dedicated people.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@evergreen-ln.com. Payment is required at the time of reservation.

Event Recap...

Ladies' Luncheon

We had a group of 17 ladies. The market is incredible with Italian gourmet delights, great meats, super fresh fish selections, a bakery, and many prepared foods for take-away. The restaurant is good. The decor is great with indoor and outdoor seating. The menu is excellent with enough choices and diversity.



After lunch we went to Victoria's Place. At this store you will find artwork, music, food and wine. A great experience. The prices are reasonable too! This store is a must! [Click here](#) to view the pictures.

Upcoming Events...

Click on the link for an overview of the [Calendar of Events 2015-2016](#).

Please note the calendar may be subject to change. Keep reading the monthly newsletter for updates.

Please remember the importance to RSVP for ALL of the Lifestyle Events.



Happy Hour at the Club

Plantation Golf & Country Club

We will continue having our Friday night Happy Hours on the **first and third Friday** throughout the summer. Happy Hour specials from 5-7 p.m. and A la carte menu from 5-8 p.m. with entertainment: 6-9 p.m. **Reservations are required.**



September 4 and 18

Contact Angi Eberhard for more details: (239) 561- 8650 ext. 3617 or email her at fandb@plantationgolfcc.com.

More Club Events...

Pasta Night

Wednesday, September 23

The sauté pans will be sizzling with pasta and your selection of ingredients. Reservations will be accepted from 6 - 8 p.m. This is always a sellout so make your reservations early. **Reservations are required.**



Club Hours of Operation:

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bar available from 3 to 5 p.m. (Weather permitting)

Contact Angi Eberhard for more details: (239) 561- 8650 ext. 3617 or fandb@plantationgolfcc.com.

Community Room Policies, Reminders & Reservations

If you would like to reserve the Community Room for a private gathering, contact the Lifestyle Director's office to see if the date you are looking for is available. **It is recommended to follow the 15 day reservation policy in order to ensure a guaranteed date. It is very important to follow the Rules and Regulations regarding the community room at the time of your event.**



\$500 refundable security deposit is required at the time of your reservation. Deposit will be returned upon reasonable clean-up of your event.

Residents and designees are required to make reservations in advance for all activities and special events for the Community Room. All other areas of the Amenity Center are not available for reservations. These areas may not be reserved by sectioning off or pulling furniture together to create private areas.

Somerset Hall Community Room has been reserved for private parties on:

Wednesday, September 2 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 9 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 16 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30 from 6:30- 8 p.m.

The room will be unavailable for general use during this time.

For reservations or questions, please call (239) 225-1480 or email atsreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

**Amenities Center
Hours of Operation**

Pool Hours

Dawn to Dusk

Fitness Center Hours

5:00 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Amenities Center Hours

6 a.m. to 9 p.m.



Plantation Contact Information

Lifestyle Director: (239) 225-1480

Somerset Gatehouse: (239) 225-7221

Bridgetown Gatehouse: (239) 768-3459

Plantation Clubhouse: (239) 561-8650

Evergreen Lifestyles Management: (877) 221-6919

