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## Letter from the Editor

Greetings to all Orange Harbor residents! I'm Jennifer Krogulski, your newsletter editor, and you'll find me at 78 Sun Circle. If there's anything you'd like featured in our newsletter, don't hesitate to contact me at [ohnewsletter@aol.com](mailto:ohnewsletter@aol.com). Your

suggestions, stories, and community spotlights are what make our publication truly capture the spirit of Orange Harbor.

**Please note...At the time of publication some events may not be included in the newsletter due to the deadline, please watch the Orange Harbor Friends Facebook page for more information.**

### *Thought for the Day...*

*"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter the words, but to live by them." — John F. Kennedy*

### *Keeping in Touch Across the Miles...*

Even though the long summer may find us scattered across the country, our Orange Harbor community spirit doesn't have to take a break! We invite you to share photos of yourself and fellow Orange Harbor friends making memories together in your northern homes. Let's keep those connections strong by featuring your summer adventures in the newsletter. Just email your pictures to [ohnewsletter@aol.com](mailto:ohnewsletter@aol.com) or share them with the Orange Harbor Friends group on Facebook—we can't wait to see your smiling faces and summer stories!



### **Happy Mother's Day!**

Wishing a beautiful Mother's Day to all the wonderful mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures in Orange Harbor! Your kindness, strength, and love are the heart of our community. We hope your day is filled with laughter, relaxation, and the joy you bring to all of us. Thank you for everything you do—today and every day, we celebrate you!

## **Let's say Thanks to our New Advertisers!**

We are truly grateful for an incredible month filled with new advertisers joining our newsletter and standing behind Orange Harbor. Thanks to this community spirit, we've raised another \$2400 for the Social Club by welcoming five more generous businesses to our newsletter family. Please join us in offering a warm welcome to Sun Streaks salon on Palm Beach Blvd.—a full-service salon supporting both men and women; WorldWide Traveler, a steadfast partner who has guided our residents' adventures for years and has shown unwavering support for our Super Group Travelers Club and annual Carnival; the highly respected BriCo Air, always there when we need dependable cooling; and All Weather Roofing, serving our community with integrity for over 40 years.

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It is only through the commitment of these businesses, and the support of residents like you, that our Social Committee can continue to enrich life at Orange Harbor and bring joy to all throughout the year. When you are in need of services, please remember these wonderful sponsors who help make our community the special place it is. Thank you all, from the bottom of our hearts, for your ongoing encouragement and support.



### **Honoring Memorial Day**

As we gather with friends and family this Memorial Day, let us take a moment to honor and remember the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country. Their sacrifice and dedication have shaped our nation and ensured our freedoms. May your day be filled with gratitude, reflection, and appreciation for those who made the ultimate commitment. Wishing everyone in Orange Harbor a meaningful Memorial Day!

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# Have You Read Your Rules & Regulations Lately?

**This is a reminder that the Rules and Regulations are in effect and being enforced. All residents and their guests are expected to know and abide by these rules. New Rules and Regulations were voted on and adopted by the Board of Directors on May 27, 2022. You can access the Rules and Regulations by going to our website at [Orangeharbormhc.com](http://Orangeharbormhc.com), click on the documents tab, click on community rules, and click on the pdf file.**

## XI. RENTERS

1. Residents shall not allow any other person or persons to occupy, use, rent, sublet, lease or sublease the home, or any portion thereof, or any portion of the unit, for fee or gratis, for less than thirty (30) days in a twelve-month period.
2. All applicants must first go through the application and screening process and be approved by management prior to moving into the home.
3. All residents who rent their homes for less than six months must remit the Lee County Resort Tax to the Tax Collector's office.
4. Renter must meet the age requirements of the community and comply with all Rules and Regulations. Renters are the responsibility of the resident. If renter violates any rule or regulation of the community, renter's lease may be terminated by management.
5. RV SECTION a. A portion of the RV lots to be determined by management will be available for rent for a minimum of one (1) day. All park model lots within the RV section are required to be rented for no less than thirty (30) days in a twelve (12) month period.

## XII. PETS

Note: Pursuant to the ADA and the FHA, a service animal or emotional support animal is not generally considered a pet. All animals and pets must abide by appropriate Rules and Regulations. Dogs, cats and birds are allowed, but are subject to the following restrictions:

1. Dogs, cats and birds must be registered with the community office.
2. A maximum of two (2) pets are allowed per household. A cat cannot weigh more than twenty (20) pounds at full maturity. The following breeds are not allowed: Pit Bull Breeds, German Shepherds, Great Danes, Rottweilers, Bull Mastiff, Akita, Alaskan Malamute, Doberman, Chow-chow, Presa Canario, Siberian Husky, Wolf Hybrids, and mixed breeds which include any of the previously mentioned breeds.

3. Lee County Ordinance No. 14-04 outlines animal/pet owner responsibilities in communities where the animal/pet resides. Violations of this ordinance constitute a civil infraction subject to a fine of up to \$500. A copy of the ordinance is available in the community office and recommended it be reviewed, especially the section on nuisance. Animal/pet owners are responsible for any violation within the ordinance, and a violation of the ordinance shall be deemed a violation of these Rules and Regulations.

4. Any approved animal/pet residing in the community must have current vaccinations and be licensed per Lee County Ordinance, including seasonal animals in Lee County for more than 30 days.

5. Unless inside a dwelling, all animal/pets must be restrained by a proper leash no longer than eight (8) feet, or a buried electric wire "fence" at all times.

6. No animal/pet may be left unattended outside the home or in the common areas (including buildings) even if owner is present. The animal/pet must be restrained with a proper leash no longer than eight (8) feet in length. A peripheral fence, cage or kennel on an owner's property is not allowed.

7. Pets can be walked in the streets only; they are not allowed in clubhouse or pool area.

8. Animals/pets are not allowed on the property of another resident, even if restrained, unless the resident has given written permission. Offenders should be photographed and the resident can file a signed complaint with photo to the community office.

9. If the Co-Op determines that an animal/pet is dangerous, the animal/pet must be removed from the park. A determination by the Lee County Domestic Services that an animal/pet is dangerous is not necessary but will be deemed conclusive evidence that the animal/pet must be removed.

10. As provided in the PROCEDURES FOR SOLVING ANIMAL/PET PROBLEMS, any resident perceiving a violation of these Rules and Regulations can file a written and signed complaint with the community office or the community Dog Warden. The complaint is confidential unless disclosure of the complaint is required at any hearing or trial regarding a violation of these Rules and Regulations.

11. These Rules and Regulations apply to everyone. Guests may not bring pets into the park.

12. Present pets, as of 2/17/2017, are grandfathered.

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## Blood Drive Results 2026!

The results of this season's blood drive speak volumes about the generosity and compassion within our community. Thanks to your willingness to give, 56 units of blood

were donated—each one with the power to save up to three lives. That means as many as 168 patients may receive the gift of hope and healing because you chose to help. Your actions have created a ripple effect of kindness, transforming lives and inspiring others. Thank you for showing what it means to truly care.



## Calling all homeowners-

Do you have your name tag? If not, don't fret! Dolly Tye is your go-to hero for all things name tag. Grab yours for free and wear it with

pride! Reach out to Dolly at **708-542-1978** and get ready to show off your badge of honor!



## 80's Luncheon

Once again, Orange Harbor embraced a cherished tradition, lovingly honoring the remarkable "young" 80+ age residents of our community with a luncheon that brimmed with warmth and gratitude. Volunteers, led by the devoted Tracy Bostelman, poured their hearts into making this celebration unforgettable. To witness the joy and camaraderie among friends—some together for decades—was a poignant reminder of the deep bonds that define Orange Harbor. It is truly a privilege to be part of a community that not only recognizes its elders but celebrates them with tenderness and reverence. Laughter echoed, stories were shared, and gratitude filled the air, weaving together generations in a tapestry of belonging. This annual event stands as a testament to the enduring spirit and love that lives within our neighborhood, making Orange Harbor more than just a place—it is a home, shaped by those whose wisdom and presence inspire us all.

## Looking for something fun to do outside of Orange Harbor? 🌟



Don't miss the **2nd Annual Blueberry Festival** happening May 2nd & 3rd from 10AM–5PM at the beautiful Lee Civic Center!

Bring your friends and family out for a weekend packed with:  
📦 Fresh blueberries & delicious treats

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- 🍔 Food trucks and festival eats
- 🎪 Fun activities for all ages

It's the perfect way to enjoy the Florida sunshine and support local businesses. See you there!

## Looking for another event to add to your calendar? 🍷🎉

Get ready for the **Southwest Florida Food Fest & Craft Fair** happening Saturday, May 30th from 12PM–9PM at the Lee Civic Center!



Come hungry and ready for a great time with:

- 🍷 A wide variety of food vendors & food trucks
- 🛍️ Unique handmade crafts & local artisans
- 🎵 Live music and entertainment throughout the day
- 🌙 Evening vibes with plenty of fun until 9PM

## Have you checked out our new Facebook & Instagram pages yet? 🌴📸

- 🔍 Find us:
- 📘 Facebook: Orange Harbor Mobile Home & RV Resort
- 📷 Instagram: @orangeharbormhc

Give us a follow, like, and share our posts to help spread the word! Let's put Orange Harbor on the map and grow our amazing community together ❤️

## *In Loving Memory...*



**Donald E. Benschneider**, 86, of Payne, passed away on Sunday, March 29, 2026, at his home. Don was born in Ft. Wayne, Indiana on June 11, 1939, son of the late Ervin & Lucile (Overmyer) Benschneider.

Don devoted his life to hard work, beginning with a lifelong career in farming and in partnership with Wildcat Creek Farms. On December 13, 1981, he married the love of his life, Elaine (Hanenkratt), and together they built a life filled with love and many happy years. As a young man he enjoyed working at Van Wert airport, owning his own plane and instructing. Deeply committed to his community, Don served as Mayor of Payne and contributed his leadership to numerous organizations, including the Farm Credit, Countrymark, Inc., Landmark, Inc., Paulding Landmark, NCBA, CBI, Buckeye State Mutual Insurance, Orange Harbor Cooperative. He was also a dedicated member of the Payne Chamber of Commerce and the County Farm Bureau. In his free time, Don enjoyed snowmobiling trips in Michigan and traveling to Florida. Above all, he cherished time with his family, especially cheering on his grandchildren at their sporting events. Don will be remembered as a kind-hearted, soft-spoken man and a true role model to all who knew him.

Don will be sadly missed by his wife, Elaine; daughters, Terri (Lyle) Ulrey of Van Wert & Lanette (Jarrod) Dossen of Fort Wayne; grandchildren, Chris (Kali) Ulrey, parents of Sazi & Ophelia, Nicholas (Miranda) Ulrey parents of Locklin & Kollins, Blake (Loren) Dossen, parents of Bastian, Jude, Margaret, & one of the way, Branson (Karson) Dossen, parents of Beau & and one of the way & Bree Dossen. In-laws, Phil & Betty Hanenkratt; Mike (Myra) Hanenkratt, Jill (George) Tsafarides, Jay Hanenkratt, Loraine Comfort, Van (Lisa) Hanenkratt, Corinne (Mike) Lamb and many nieces, nephews & friends. Don was also preceded in death by his brother, Richard "Dick" Benschneider.

He will be laid to rest in Wiltsie Cemetery.

Memorials are to Elara Caring Hospice or the Payne Fire & EMS.



Thomas "Tommy" Schroeder, age 64, passed away on March 31, 2026, in Ft. Myers, Florida following a sudden illness. He was born to Carl and Gloria Schroeder on February 4, 1962. He primarily grew up in Baltimore County, Maryland

where he was a very active young boy with lots of friends and a loving nature. As part of his Maryland background, he developed a love of Maryland crabs and often had some in his freezer. As a young adult, he moved to Eldon, Missouri to be close to his children and lived there for many years. He enjoyed working on cars and became a very knowledgeable and gifted auto mechanic.

Tommy is survived by his daughter Alecia Etter of St. Petersburg, Florida; his son, Thomas "TJ" Schroeder of Eldon, Missouri; his beloved granddaughter, Kayleigh Fike of Florida; his sister, Debby Schroeder of Millsboro, Delaware; his sister, Amy (Scotty) Orr of Edgewood, New Mexico; and his brother, David (Meri) Schroeder of Granville, Ohio; and his former wife Brenda Harris, Jefferson City, MO. He was preceded in death by both of his parents who passed away in 2015; by his first wife and love, Pamela Ann (Janowiak) Schroeder, the mother of his children; and by his son, Paul on March 6, 2021.

The loss of Paul had a profound and lasting impact on Tommy, which he carried with him for the remainder of his life. Tommy will be remembered for his love of family, his resilience, and the deep bonds he shared with those closest to him. He loved laughing and joking with his friends and made friends easily. Although he faced hardships, his love of family and friends never wavered. Later in life, he moved from Missouri to Florida and settled in Ft Myers, Florida, in the same community where his father had lived for many years. He loved Florida and enjoyed being away from the cold Missouri weather and being around the sunshine and water and loved taking his fishing kayak out fishing and seeing the manatees. He became a member of the American Legion Post 351 in Ft. Myers where he felt very much at home and created many friendships. Tommy had a beautiful smile, and it was hard not to laugh at some point when you were around him. He could sometimes have a gruff exterior, but those who knew him saw the loving and caring spirit within him. He also left behind his longtime dog, Amber, and would be so gratified to know that neighborhood friends are caring for and plan to keep her. He will be dearly missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved him.

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## Local Thrift Stores in Ft. Myers and Surrounding Areas

### A Guide to Affordable Shopping

If you're looking for thrift stores in Ft. Myers and nearby communities, there are several options offering a wide variety of gently used clothing, furniture, and household items. These stores provide great opportunities to find unique treasures while supporting local charities and organizations.

- Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida – Multiple locations throughout Ft. Myers and neighboring towns.
- Salvation Army Family Store – Located on McGregor Blvd, Ft. Myers.
- St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store – Situated in downtown Ft. Myers.
- Habitat for Humanity ReStore – Offers furniture, appliances, and building materials; located on Cleveland Ave.
- Hope Chest Thrift Store – Found in nearby Cape Coral.
- Community Cooperative Thrift Store – Located on Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Ft. Myers.

- St. Matthews House-Located on Metro Parkway, Ft. Myers.

Most of these stores accept donations and proceeds often benefit local community programs. Be sure to check individual store hours and donation guidelines before visiting.

## Orange Harbor Closing-up Checklist

### Things to do before leaving for the summer.

1. Make the outside mower friendly, and spray weeds before leaving.
2. Have a local summer caregiver and give the name/number of the person to the office.
3. Spray for ants before leaving.
4. Put away ALL outside lawn furniture, hoses, barbeque grills, statues, fountains, etc.
5. Un-Plug all electrical appliances and computers.
6. Make sure RV sheds are hurricane tied down and security locked.
7. Discard all perishable food items.
8. Make sure all smoke alarms are working and have fresh batteries.
9. Turn refrigerator and freezer off. Prop doors open.
10. Put plastic wrap over the toilet and tank to prevent water from evaporating.
11. If you leave the air on, set thermostat at 80-90 degrees (set it to cool and auto).
12. Put fresh batteries in thermostats.
13. If you have a humidistat, set to 65.
14. Clean or replace your air conditioner filter.
15. Turn water OFF 16. Turn off hot water heaters.
17. Close and lock windows and doors before you leave.
18. Forward your mail and put a note in your mailbox.
19. Make sure the office has your correct **address, phone#, email**, and a set of keys.
20. Put cable "on vacation".
21. Return all books, puzzles, videos, and DVDs to Community Library.
22. Call the Electric Company and give them your summer address.

23. Put all awnings down and secure.



**Coffee & Donuts** Meet fellow park residents at Orange Harbor's monthly "Coffee Hour," held in the clubhouse every 4th Saturday at 9:30 a.m., just before the 9:45 a.m. Town Hall. Enjoy coffee, donuts, club announcements, and ticket sales for upcoming events. Bring your favorite mug or use ours. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we have enough donuts for everyone. Hosts are needed for the season—add your name if you can help!

### Park Sale Donations

Donations to the park sale will be accepted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month. You must sign up at the clubhouse to make your donations; there will be a sign-up sheet with the dates and times. If you have many items to donate you may contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719, please leave your name and address in the message and a Social Committee member will contact you.



Please visit our websites at:

[Orangeharbormhc.com](http://Orangeharbormhc.com)

[Ohrvresort.com](http://Ohrvresort.com) [Orangeharborhomes.com](http://Orangeharborhomes.com)



Don't miss the **All-Park Breakfast** on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in the clubhouse.

This delightful morning gathering provides a hearty meal and an excellent opportunity to meet with neighbors, discuss community events, and start your weekend with a smile.

### Directory

If you would like to be included in the directory, please contact Jeannie Jeffery at 317-716-9778 or email [jem1931823@gmail.com](mailto:jem1931823@gmail.com).

### Guest Parking

During peak season at Orange Harbor, managing guest parking can prove challenging due to the increased volume of visitors and limited space. To ensure smooth coordination, residents hosting overnight guests are encouraged to utilize designated temporary guest parking areas within the community. It is important to secure a parking permit by visiting the office beforehand. Adhering to this procedure helps maintain order and prevents inconveniences such as vehicles blocking driveways, occupying streets, or using vacant lots unauthorizedly.

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## *Featured Amenities Guide*

Welcome to our community! We take pride in offering a variety of amenities to make your visit both relaxing and memorable. Please review the following guide to familiarize yourself with our facilities, their locations, and the rules that help keep them enjoyable for everyone.

**Swimming Pool**-Enjoy a refreshing swim from sunrise to sunset. All guests aged 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult. For your safety, please do not remove the rope separating the deep and shallow ends of the pool. If you do move it, be sure to replace it—failure to do so may result in a fine.

**Library**-Our clubhouse library is well-stocked with books, puzzles, and games for all ages. When you're done enjoying them, please return items to their proper place.

**Billiards**-Test your skills on our new billiards table in the clubhouse. Please follow posted rules to ensure everyone can enjoy the game.

**Ice Machine**-The ice cube machine is located in the clubhouse. Use the provided scoop, take no more than three scoops at a time, and remember to close the lid after use.

**Bocce Ball & Shuffleboard**-Bocce ball courts are situated next to the clubhouse parking lot, with equipment readily available nearby. Shuffleboard equipment is in the shed beside the court.

**Storage and Boat Slips**-We offer 41 storage spaces and 17 boat slips, all rented annually on a first-come, first-served basis. For pricing or availability, contact the office directly.

**Clubhouse**-Located at the heart of our community, the clubhouse is the venue for many of our social activities. It is also available to rent for special occasions. For reservations, please contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719.

**Garbage Disposal and Plant Cuttings**-A dumpster and a trailer for plant cuttings are available 24/7. Please do not dispose of large items in the trash compactor—these must have a paid sticker from the office. Sort your waste into the appropriate containers.

**Boat Ramps**-We have two boat ramps: one near the office and another next to Gypsy Hall by the RV section. Be mindful not to park trucks or trailers where they may be towed during boat launching.

**Ping Pong**-The table is located in the clubhouse with all of equipment needed for play.

**Horseshoe Pits**-Horseshoe courts are located near the pavilion and the pool for your enjoyment.

**Fishing Pier & Fish Cleaning Station**-The fishing pier, found on the northwest side of the park, is open to all residents. Please follow all fishing regulations and dispose of used fishing lines in the designated bin. There's also a fish cleaning station in the RV park, complete with a cutting surface and running water. Please dispose of fish waste.

**Dog Park & Wash Station**-A fenced-in dog park is open 24 hours daily for your pets. Dog waste bags and bins are available—remember to clean up after your pet. Wash station located in between the shuffleboard and laundromat.

**Pavilions**-There are two pavilions—one near the pool and one in the RV section. Both are available to rent for special occasions. To reserve, please contact Denise Miller at 603-493-1719.

**Pickleball Court**-Located next to the office, the pickleball court operates under rules posted at the entrance. Please note: lights out at 11 p.m.

**Laundry Room**-Our laundry room is open daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Help us keep it clean by closing the door at all times and reporting any maintenance issues to management immediately. If you discover a problem with a machine, kindly write down the issue and notify the office, as well as place a note on the affected machine.

**Restrooms and Showers**-There are restrooms and showers located in the clubhouse. They are also available in the RV section. You can find a restroom near the shuffleboard courts and restrooms located in the back of the office with an access door on the outside of the building.

**Memorial Garden**—All are welcome to enjoy the beauty and tranquility of our memorial butterfly garden, thoughtfully designed as a peaceful refuge for quiet reflection. Whether you seek a serene moment alone or wish to admire the fluttering visitors among the blooms, this garden provides a gentle space amid the vibrancy of our community.

**Community Vegetable Garden**—For residents wishing to cultivate their own fresh produce, the community vegetable garden is open to all paid participants. Plots may be reserved through the garden club on a seasonal basis.

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## 10 Things You Should Never Put Down the Drain:

To avoid costly plumbing repairs and environmental damage, never pour fats, grease, coffee grounds,

medication, paint, harsh chemicals, produce stickers, fibrous vegetables, starchy foods (rice/pasta), eggshells, or hygiene products (wipes/floss) down the drain. These items cause severe blockages, pipe corrosion, or pollute water systems.

Quick checklist of items to not put down your drain:

1. **Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG):** Bacon fat, cooking oil, and butter solidify inside pipes, causing major blockages.
2. **Coffee Grounds:** They do not dissolve and accumulate, creating stubborn clogs.
3. **Eggshells:** The sharp, granular pieces stick to grease, forming sludges that blocks pipes.
4. **Starchy Foods (Rice, Pasta, Flour):** These expand with water and turn into a paste, restricting water flow.
5. **Produce Stickers:** These small stickers rarely disintegrate, often getting stuck in pipe walls or caught in filters.
6. **Fibrous Vegetables/Food Scraps:** Celery, corn husks, and potato peels can tangle around disposal blades.
7. **Medications:** Pills and liquids pass through treatment plants into water sources, harming the environment.
8. **Paint and Solvents:** Hazardous chemicals can corrode pipes and damage plumbing.
9. **Flushable/Baby Wipes:** Despite the name, they do not dissolve, creating massive sewer blockages.
10. **Hair and Dental Floss:** These items do not degrade, catching other debris to create large, tangled clogs.

## We Recycle on Fridays

Please place your handle towards your house and the open side toward the street for proper pickup!



### Recycle Smart-5 For the Cart:

**Paper-**junk mail, newsprint, magazines, copy paper, phone books, etc. **DO NOT** put in used paper towels, tissues, napkins.

**Metal cans-**aluminum or steel (tin) cans. No need to remove labels or crush cans.

**Cardboard-**Any kind of box unless it held a liquid (such as those to hold milk, juice, wine, and broth). Pizza box lids can be recycled, the bottoms can be recycled if they do not have any food residue on them.

**Plastic Containers-**Look for the number 1-7 within the recycle triangles on the bottom of the container (no Styrofoam, no plastic bags) Lids can be either on or off.

**Glass-**green, brown, and clear bottles and jars.

## Trash Removal and Yard Waste Schedule:

Are you prepared for brush pick-up? **Wednesday** is your day to embrace your inner gardener and tie up those yard clippings into tidy bundles—**each no longer than 3 feet**. Let's keep those sprawling shrub beasts at bay! **A quick tip: keep your green piles away from the mailbox to avoid any accidental tractor showdowns.** Together, we can keep our streets neat and our tractors happy!

**Tuesdays & Fridays:** Garbage pick-up! Rise and shine, it's garbage time! Get those bags out early to keep the critters away. Remember, no animal buffets!



## Maintenance Crew News

We kick off our days at Orange Harbor with the goal of being the absolute best! Let's work together to keep our community clean and efficient by following these guidelines:

1. **\*\*Dog Owners\*\*:** Remember to pick up after your furry friends and dispose of their messes properly—even in the dog park area. Let's keep our spaces enjoyable for everyone!
  2. **\*\*Yard Waste\*\*:** Trim it, cut it, bundle it! Yard trimmings, weeds, and other green waste should be bundled in 3-foot sections and bagged appropriately.
  3. **\*\*Sticker System\*\*:** Everything placed in K-Mart or scheduled for pick-up must have a sticker. These stickers help offset the costs of hauling to the scrap yard or managing the extra compactor weight. You can grab stickers from the office!
  4. **\*\*Manageable Garbage\*\*:** If you can't lift it, neither can we! Use multiple bags for your garbage instead of overstuffing one. Let's make handling trash a breeze!
  5. **\*\*No Maggots Policy\*\*:** A clean trash bin is a happy trash bin! Please ensure your bins are clean and free from pests.
- A big thank you to everyone for your cooperation—together, we make each day brighter and our jobs more efficient!

## Bulk Trash Pricing

**\$25.00** - Mattress, box spring, armoire, sofa, refrigerator, washing machine, dryer, freezer, stove, shower stall,

**\$25.00** - TV antennas (Satellite dish type) **ALL APPLIANCES.**

**\$20.00** - Over-sized chairs, dining tables, dish washer, rear projection TV, door, entry size rug.

**\$10.00** - Dining chair, barstool, end table, computer, monitor, small flat screen T.V., printer, battery, tire.

**\$ 5.00** - Golf cart tires, small items in this size range.

**No construction materials, paint, oil or hazardous materials allowed.**

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Contact the office if you have questions regarding a specific item not listed.



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## ATTENTION...

### Orange Harbor Limited Time Special Offer

If you have been waiting for the perfect opportunity to make Orange Harbor your home, now is the time! For a limited period, Orange Harbor is offering Co-op owned empty lots at a substantial discount. Whether you've been dreaming of designing your ideal home or making a smart investment, this special offer provides an incredible chance to join our vibrant and welcoming community. Don't miss out—act now before this opportunity slips away!

Requirements for this exceptional offer include:

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5. When the home arrives, and the decision is made to purchase the share, the deposit can be used towards the cost of the share.

#### Sample Share Sale Pricing

1<sup>st</sup> Interior Lot Today value \$88,594 Original value \$45,000.

2<sup>nd</sup> Interior Lot Today value \$108,281 Original value \$55,000.

Corner Interior Lot Today value \$118,125 Original value \$60,000.

Waterway Lot Today value \$141,750 Original value \$72,000.

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Riverfront Today value \$161,438 Original value \$82,000.



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(New Slab, Duct work, stand, duct cover etc. at additional cost)



**WHATEVER IT TAKES:**



**INSTALL CONFIDENCE**



## Do You Want to Make Your Community Even Better?

Orange Harbor thrives thanks to the dedication of its volunteers, whose generosity and commitment truly make a difference in the community. Whether helping with events, assisting neighbors, or supporting the Board's efforts to keep resident information current, volunteers are worth their weight in gold. If you have time and energy to share, consider joining the volunteer team and help make Orange Harbor an even better place to live. **Social Committee meets on the first Monday of the month at 4pm in the clubhouse.**



### Facebook Fun

If you are a resident of Orange Harbor, please join "Orange Harbor Friends" on Facebook for another source of information of the activities, meetings,

events, etc. going on in our community. While the Friends page is not affiliated with the office it does have rules of conduct that are strictly adhered to.

### Planning a stay at Orange Harbor?

RV reservations for our resort are easily made through Campspot, a user-friendly and free-to-use platform. Simply search

"Orange Harbor" on the Campspot website to view available options and secure your spot or call the office at 239-694-3707. Whether you're a returning guest or new to the community, RV sites are open for booking for the 2026-2027 season—don't miss your chance to be a part of our vibrant waterfront lifestyle.



We are pleased to offer a **Bible reading** class every **Monday in the clubhouse at 10:30 AM.**

Whether you are new to studying scripture or wish to deepen your understanding, this welcoming class is designed for all who want to advance their knowledge of the Bible. Join fellow residents for meaningful discussion and learning in a friendly atmosphere.

### OURROC-SWF

[www.ourroc-swf.org](http://www.ourroc-swf.org)

OURROC-SWF continues a long tradition of maintaining an organization for the benefit of our member communities in SWFL. We offer information and support to our resident

owned communities. At the present time, we represent 23 communities with over 6000 residents.

The focus of OURROC-SWF continues to be on meeting the needs of our members through presentations of interest and importance to owners of homes. Our membership consists of both resident owned communities and professional members who provide services and support to the communities in our area. In addition to our board training conferences, presentations have focused on insurance, hurricane preparation, legal issues affecting residents' owned communities, and 'roundtable discussions' focusing on member generated concerns and questions.

All meetings begin with networking and refreshment at 9:00am, executive meeting at 9:30am and program at 10:00am All close by 11:30-12:00pm except board certification ends at 2pm.

**See you in the Fall!**

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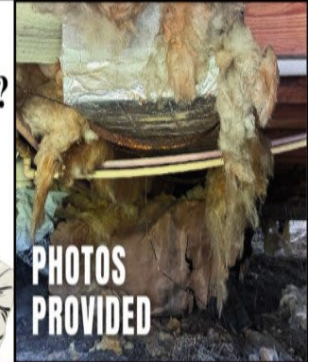
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## SIM Swapping: What You Need to Know

SIM swapping is an increasingly prevalent form of cybercrime that targets the very heart of your digital identity—your mobile phone number. At its core, SIM swapping occurs when a criminal convinces your mobile provider to transfer your phone number onto a new SIM card controlled by the attacker. This deceptive act is often accomplished through social engineering, where the hacker impersonates you, sometimes using personal information gleaned from public sources or data breaches to make their request appear legitimate. Once the swap is successful, the attacker essentially takes over your mobile identity. With control over your phone number, they can receive your calls, texts, and most importantly, gain access to one-time passwords and verification codes sent via SMS. These codes are commonly used for two-factor authentication on services such as online banking, email, and social media accounts. As a result, the consequences of SIM swapping can be severe, ranging from unauthorized account access and financial theft to full-blown identity fraud.

The risk escalates because so many platforms rely on your phone number as a method of verifying your identity. Attackers may quickly change passwords, lock you out of your own accounts, and exploit your personal information for malicious purposes. Victims often discover the crime when their phones suddenly lose service or when they notice suspicious activity on their accounts.

Protecting yourself against SIM swapping starts with vigilance. Use strong, unique passwords for your accounts and avoid using your phone number as your primary means of authentication whenever possible. Enable two-factor authentication with authenticator apps instead of SMS codes, as these are less susceptible to interception. Be cautious with sharing personal information online and regularly monitor your accounts for unusual activity. If your phone unexpectedly loses its connection to the network, or you receive notifications about changes you didn't make, contact your mobile provider right away to investigate.

Mobile providers are becoming more aware of SIM swapping and may offer additional protections, such as PIN codes or account-specific security questions. It's wise to inquire about these added layers of security and activate them for your account. Staying informed and proactive is the best defense against this evolving threat. By protecting your digital identity, you help ensure the safety of your finances, private messages, and personal information.



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## World Hunger Day: How You Can Make a Difference on May 28

World Hunger Day, observed on May 28, shines a spotlight on the urgent issue of food insecurity affecting millions around the globe. It's an opportunity for individuals, communities, and organizations to take meaningful action and help fight hunger both locally and internationally.

There are several ways you can contribute to this important cause. Consider donating to reputable hunger relief organizations, volunteering at a local food bank, or organizing a food drive within your community. Even small efforts, such as sharing educational resources or raising awareness on social media, can amplify the collective impact.

On World Hunger Day, you might also choose to support sustainable solutions by purchasing from businesses that give back or by advocating for policies that address food access and nutrition. Every action, big or small, helps move us closer to a world where everyone has enough to eat. Join the effort on May 28 and help make a lasting difference.



## Golf Carts vs Bicycles and Pedestrians



Hey there, road warriors! Just a friendly reminder that golf carts and bikes need to follow the same “rules of the road” as our four-wheeled friends. Golf carts should stick to their side of the street, hit the brakes at all corners, and enter intersections only after giving a good look both ways. We’ve had way too many “near misses” with cars, bicycles, and pedestrians playing a game of “who goes first?” Let’s keep it safe and sound by sticking to the 15 mph speed limit and stopping at all STOP signs.

And for our fabulous pedestrians, don’t forget to bring a flashlight on your evening strolls. Let’s light up the night and keep everyone safe!



### Some things you may need to know...

## IMPORTANT

LATE FEE PAYMENTS ON RENT PAYMENTS AND MAINTENANCE FEE PAYMENTS WILL OCCUR AFTER THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF THE MONTH. BE SURE TO MAKE YOUR PAYMENTS ON TIME.

#### HOMEOWNERS PAY BY:

- CHECK TO THE OFFICE
- CREDIT CARD-RESIDENT PORTAL-ONE TIME PAYMENT
- CREDIT CARD-RESIDENT PORTAL-RECURRING PAYMENT
- E-CHECK-RESIDENT PORTAL

#### RV OWNERS PAY BY:

- CHECK TO THE OFFICE
- CREDIT CARD IN THE OFFICE
- CREDIT CARD OR CHECK-CAMP SPOT LINK

NON-SUFFICIENT FUND POLICY IS AS FOLLOWS:  
UPON A STOP PAYMENT i.e. BOUNCED CHECK, STOP PAYMENT, INSUFFICIENT FUNDS, ETC., THE RESIDENT WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY WITH CERTIFIED FUNDS FOR THE NEXT 90 DAYS. CERTIFIED FUNDS INCLUDE CERTIFIED CHECK, CASHIER CHECK, MONEY ORDER, ETC.  
ANY RESIDENT WITH AN ACH WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REMOVED FROM ACH AND MAY RESUBMIT AFTER THE 90 DAY PERIOD IS COMPLETE.

THE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR THE LEE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT IS **239-477-1000**. IF IT IS AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE DIAL 911.

NO SMOKING IN THE PAVILION AND GYPSY HAUL!

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED WITHIN 30’ OF THE EXTERIOR OF THE CLUBHOUSE! PLEASE DISPOSE CIGARETTE BUTTS IN THE PROPER PLACE, NOT ON THE GROUND!

QUIET TIME IS FROM 10PM-7AM.

### Compliance Policy Reminder

As you are aware, one of the goals of all residents of Orange Harbor is to keep the community looking beautiful. Enforcing the rules plays an important role in that goal. The goal of this policy is NOT to penalize residents or to charge fines. The goal is simply to keep our community attractive and to remind all residents that we all share in this responsibility. If you receive an email or a letter, please do not panic. If you need additional time to address an issue, just reach out to the office Management. Communication is key! We all need to work together to maintain a community atmosphere here at our own little slice of paradise...

### Questions, Comments, Suggestions, Complaints...

We value community involvement and have set up several convenient ways for members to share their thoughts, questions, or feedback. If you’d like to have your voice heard, you have four options besides reaching out to the office:

- Place your suggestion in the Suggestion Box found by the clubhouse’s front entrance. Please remember to include your name and phone number, as anonymous submissions cannot be considered.
- Complete a Work Order in the office for our maintenance team to address facility needs.
- Join one of our Town Hall Meetings, where you can openly discuss your concerns and ideas.
- Fill out a Request for Action Form and submit it to the office; don’t forget to sign your form for it to be processed.

Using these channels ensures your concerns and suggestions are acknowledged and addressed in a timely manner.

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## Orange Harbor Boat Club

Whether you're a boat owner or simply enjoy being out on the water, you're

invited to take part in all our club activities! Our main goal is to promote, protect, and encourage the sport of boating. We also strive to help members learn and follow navigation laws and seamanship, while fostering sociability and friendships throughout our community. As a member, you'll be able to join monthly group boat trips to local restaurants, participate in our annual Orange Harbor Christmas Boat Parade, and attend the Commodores Ball—just a few of the exciting events we offer. New ideas and volunteer leaders are always welcome.

We hold club meetings on the **first Saturday of each month**. If you're interested or have questions, please reach out to Jim Robinson at 815-353-7280 or via email at [litehouse@pga.com](mailto:litehouse@pga.com).

Our meeting season runs from November through April, with boat outings scheduled for the fourth Monday of those months. For more details, contact Boat Club Commodore Jim Robinson.



## Join the Orange Harbor First Mates Club!


Looking to get more involved, meet new friends, and make a difference right here at Orange

Harbor? The **First Mates Club** is the perfect way to do just that!

The First Mates are a fun, welcoming group of residents who come together to support our community through social events, fundraisers, and charitable projects. From organizing dinners to running the Giving Tree and other outreach efforts, the club plays a big role in keeping our community vibrant and connected.

Membership is open to all residents of the park. You don't need to own a boat, just have an interest in being involved in our community and support our outreach efforts.

Whether you have a little time or a lot, your participation makes a difference. Joining the First Mates is a great way to share your talents, stay active, and be part of something meaningful while having a great time with neighbors.

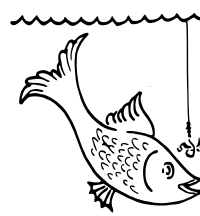
 **Monthly meetings** are typically held on the first Saturday of each month at 9:00am in the Clubhouse. Annual dues are \$10 per member.

Come see what we're all about!

## Catch of the Season

runs from November 1 until

April 15, 2026. The only requirements are, the angler must be an Orange Harbor resident, the fish must be caught from the shoreline of Orange



Harbor or the fishing pier, not from a boat, the catch must be reported to the commissioner at the information provided below via text or email with the angler's name the length and species of the catch, and hopefully a photo of the fish and angler.

Report all catches large or small, whether caught by residents for the tournament or caught by vacationing guests and grandchildren. We will attempt to publish all reported photos in the next issue of The Island News and make the angler Orange Harbor famous.

We will keep a running leaderboard of the first, second and third place. After April 15, 2026, the first-place winner will have their name and catch engraved onto the COTS fishing plaque displayed in the clubhouse.

Report catches to Tony Wellbaum 815-262-1881  
[thwellbaum@aol.com](mailto:thwellbaum@aol.com)

## The Catch of the Season has wrapped... and what a showdown it was!

For the past THREE MONTHS, Martha Stroup sat on top of the leaderboard, daring anyone to knock her off. Dave Brown made a serious last-minute charge, reeling in a powerful 41" bull shark and turning up the heat BIG time. But Martha wasn't budging. She slammed the door on the competition with an unbelievable 60" sawfish — caught right off her OWN dock!

That's not just a win... that's a statement.

Martha makes history as our FIRST EVER female champion and proves she can handle the pressure from start to finish!

Show her some love — this victory was earned every step of the way!

*The season's done in Florida sun,  
No more "just one more cast!" for fun.  
Coolers empty, stories grow—  
"Biggest fish? You should've seen it, bro!"  
From Florida Keys to the Gulf so wide,  
The fish get a break, the boats all tied.  
But give it time—we all know the reason...  
Those fish are just safe till next season!*

**Hurricane season is almost here —don't wait until it's too late. Take the time now to prepare, stay informed, and keep this guide handy for when you need it most. Your future self will thank you.**

## Hurricane Preparedness List



Preparing for a hurricane can make a significant difference in ensuring safety and reducing injury and damage. This comprehensive hurricane preparedness list will help you stay organized and ready.

### Emergency Kit

- Water: At least one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days
- Food: A three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio: With NOAA Weather Radio and extra batteries
- Flashlight: And extra batteries
- First aid kit: Including necessary medications
- Whistle: To signal for help
- Dust mask: To help filter contaminated air
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape: To shelter in place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties: For personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers: To turn off utilities
- Manual can opener: For food
- Local maps: In case of evacuation
- Cell phone with chargers: And backup batteries
- Important documents: Insurance policies, identification, and bank records

### Personal Items

- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula, bottles, diapers, and wipes
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Cash or traveler's checks and change
- Books, games, puzzles, or other activities for children

### Before a Hurricane

- Know your evacuation routes
- Secure your home: Cover windows, secure outdoor objects, and reinforce doors
- Fill your car with gas and check your vehicle's readiness
- Review your insurance policies

- Take photos or video of your belongings for insurance purposes
- Stay informed with a battery-powered or hand-crank radio

### During a Hurricane

- Stay indoors and away from windows
- Do not use electrical equipment and appliances
- Listen to weather updates and emergency instructions
- If you are in an evacuation zone, leave immediately when advised

### After a Hurricane

- Stay tuned to local news for updates and instructions
- Return home only when authorities say it is safe
- Stay away from downed power lines and floodwater
- Document property damage with photos
- Contact your insurance company to file a claim

**What is a Hurricane?** -The National Weather Service defines a hurricane as “an intense tropical weather system with well-defined circulation and sustained winds of 74 mph (64 knots) or higher.” Hurricanes are powerful storms that originate over warm ocean waters and can cause significant damage with their high winds, heavy rains, and storm surges.

**Hurricane Watch-** A hurricane watch is issued when there is a possibility that a region could experience hurricane conditions within 48 hours. This means that the storm is not yet guaranteed to hit the area, but there is a potential threat. Residents in the watch area should take preliminary precautions, stay informed with updates, and be prepared to take action if the watch is upgraded to a warning.

**Hurricane Warning-** A hurricane warning is more severe and indicates that sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected within 36 hours. This means that hurricane conditions are imminent or highly likely. Residents in the warning area should complete all necessary preparations to protect life and property and adhere to any evacuation orders or safety instructions issued by local authorities.

Understanding the differences between a hurricane watch and a hurricane warning is crucial for effective preparation and response to these powerful natural disasters. Always stay informed through reliable weather sources and be prepared to take immediate action when necessary.

## Pickleball Rules

The use of the court is for Orange Harbor residents and their guests only. Any player under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

Use of the courts is at the players' own risk. Do not use during hazardous weather or environmental conditions. Proper footwear required. Tennis/court shoes with non-marking soles must be worn.

No alcohol, vaping, or tobacco use allowed in courts. Rotational play is expected when players are waiting. The losing team should submit to allow waiting team play time. Each winning player should only play two consecutive games.

Glass containers are not allowed. Please dispose of trash properly. Trash, debris, refuse is not to be left on courts.

No pets are allowed in courts.

No bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, etc. are allowed on courts.

**Damaged or unsafe court conditions must be reported.**

**Orange Harbor Office-239-694-3707**

**Court illumination is available.**

**A twist-on timer is located at the court entrance.**

**Please enjoy yourself and be respectful of others! Have a great game!**

## Water Aerobics



Make a splash and energize your mornings by joining our weekday water aerobics classes! Sessions take place **Monday**

**through Friday at 9am**, offering a fun and welcoming environment for all ages and fitness levels.



**Power Walking** on the small tv screen will continue with the help of volunteers Monday -Friday at 8am in the clubhouse. Come get sweaty with us!

## Staying Fit During the Warmer Months in Florida

Florida's sunny climate and high temperatures can make staying active challenging during the warmer months. However, with a thoughtful approach, you can maintain your fitness routine while staying safe and comfortable.

First, consider exercising early in the morning or later in the evening when temperatures are cooler and humidity is lower. Hydration is also crucial—always carry water with you and take frequent sips, even if you don't feel thirsty.

Take advantage of Florida's natural beauty by swimming in pools or at the beach. Water exercises are gentle on the joints and provide a refreshing way to work out in the heat. Listen to your body, and rest in shaded areas if you start to feel overheated. With these tips, you can enjoy an active, healthy lifestyle throughout Florida's warm months.

## Stingray Shuffle

Ft Myers Beach is part of Florida's Gulf Coast, where stingrays are commonly found in shallow waters, particularly during the warmer months of April through October. The combination of calm, warm waters and sandy bottoms makes the area an ideal habitat for these creatures. For visitors, this means a higher likelihood of encountering stingrays during peak beach season.

While stingray injuries are rarely life-threatening, they can result in intense pain, swelling, and, in severe cases, infection. Medical attention may be required to treat the wound and remove any embedded tail barb fragments. Employing the stingray shuffle is a simple yet vital precaution to prevent such incidents.

The stingray shuffle is an easy, preventive technique designed to reduce the risk of stepping on stingrays hidden beneath the sand. Stingrays often bury themselves in the shallow coastal waters to rest or avoid predators, making them nearly invisible to swimmers and waders. If startled by a sudden step, stingrays may defend themselves by whipping their venomous tail barb, potentially causing painful injuries.

The shuffle involves dragging your feet lightly through the sand as you walk in the water instead of lifting them with each step. This creates vibrations in the sand that alert stingrays to your presence, encouraging them to move away calmly rather than react defensively. It's an effortless and effective way to coexist with these marine animals.

- Keep your feet on the sand: Instead of lifting your feet, slide them forward smoothly, letting your toes stay in contact with the seabed.
- Create vibrations: The subtle movement of sand and water will alert stingrays to your presence without startling them.
- Stay vigilant: Observe the water's surface for signs of marine life and avoid areas where stingrays might congregate.
- Educate others: Share the stingray shuffle tip with friends and family to ensure everyone enjoys a safe beach experience.

Wear water shoes when possible!



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## Co-Op Board of Directors Meetings

The Orange Harbor Board of Directors meet every fourth Friday of the month at 9:00 am in the clubhouse and via Zoom. Shareholders will be notified of the meeting via email. All shareholders are welcome to attend. **Next meeting is May 22, 2026.**

## Town Hall Meetings

Town Hall meetings are held every Saturday after the Board of Director meetings from the previous Friday. All residents of Orange Harbor are invited to attend. Whether you lease the land or are a shareholder all are encouraged to attend. Meetings are held at 9:45am in the clubhouse. **Next meeting is May 23, 2026.**

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**ORANGE HARBOR SOCIAL COMMITTEE Effective 7/1/23**

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## Support Our Veterans: Donate Medical Equipment

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If you have gently used medical equipment such as walkers, portable toilets, shower seats, crutches, or similar items, there is an opportunity to make a meaningful difference in the lives of veterans. Tammy Roberts, located at 1364 Fourth Street in the RV section, is currently collecting donations of medical equipment on behalf of the 351 American Legion Post.



By dropping off your items at her residence, you are helping provide essential support and comfort to veterans who may benefit from these supplies. Tammy has generously offered to collect and deliver all equipment directly to the legion, ensuring that your contributions reach those in need.

- What to donate: Walkers, portable toilets, shower seats, crutches, and other assistive medical devices
- Where to drop off: 1364 Fourth Street, RV section (Tammy Roberts)
- Who benefits: Veterans through the 351 American Legion Post

Your act of kindness will help provide greater independence and improved quality of life for veterans in our community. Thank you for supporting those who have served!

For questions or further information, please reach out to Tammy Roberts at her residence.



Looking to get involved in the Orange Harbor community? Consider joining

one of our vibrant social groups! **The Foxy Ladies** gather every second Thursday of the month—reach out to Nancy Shepers at 812-613-0846 for details. Prefer a Tuesday get-together?

**The Mimosa Belles** meet every second Tuesday and welcome all interested; contact Gayle Corson at 815-355-4352 to learn more.

These groups offer wonderful opportunities to connect with neighbors, make new friends, and enrich your community experience

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| Water Aerobics         | Year Round         | Year Round       |
| Pool/Billiards         | May-October        | November-April   |
| Hobbie & Crafts        | April-October      | November-March   |
| Line Dancing           | April-December     | January-March    |
| Horseshoes             | May-December       | January-April    |
| Pickle Ball            | May-October        | November-April   |
| Bocce Ball             | April-December     | January-March    |
| Shuffleboard           | May-October        | November-April   |
| Ladies Golf            | May-December       | January-April    |
| Bible Reading          | July-October       | November-June    |
| Mahjong                | Year Round         | Year Round       |
| Art Club               | May-October        | November-April   |
| Corn Hole              | May-October        | November-April   |
| Hand, Knee, Foot       | Year Round         | Year Round       |
| Mexican Train/Dominoes | Year Round         | Year Round       |
| Euchre                 | May-October        | November-April   |
| Pinochle               | May-October        | November-April   |
| Cribbage               | April-December     | January-March    |

## Memorial Garden

Customized plates to be mounted permanently on the Memorial Sign in the Community Garden. Cost \$50.

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## Downtown Ft. Myers

Every month brings a fresh wave of excitement to the downtown area, with vibrant events drawing locals and visitors alike. Streets are often

closed to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all attendees, creating a lively and pedestrian-friendly atmosphere. On the first Friday of each month, the Art Walk unfolds, showcasing the creative talents of local artists who present their unique and captivating works across a variety of mediums. This event transforms the streets into a bustling gallery, where art lovers can explore and purchase beautiful pieces directly from the creators.

Not to be outdone, the third Friday of each month brings the Music Walk to life. For one night, the air fills with melodies as musicians of all levels and styles perform, turning the streets into an open-air concert venue. This musical extravaganza draws crowds who revel in the diverse performances, making it a night to

- remember for attendees of all ages. Both events are free, ensuring that everyone can participate in the cultural experience. [Myriverdistrict.com](http://Myriverdistrict.com)

## Local Libraries

- **Fort Myers Regional Library**
  - 2450 First St., Fort Myers, FL 33901
  - Library Hours:
    - Monday - Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
    - Thursday: 9a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Sunday
  - **Lakes Regional Library**
    - 15290 Bass Road, Fort Myers, FL 33919
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      - Monday - Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
      - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Sunday
    - Curbside Holds Pickup:
      - Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
  - **North Fort Myers Public Library**
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      - Wednesday- Thursday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 9a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Sunday
    - Curbside Holds Pickup: Monday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday: Noon - 4 p.m. Wednesday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
  - **Riverdale Public Library**
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      - Closed Sunday and Monday
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## Pet Policies and Procedures



\*Reminder- pet owners to observe the park rules regarding dogs, as failure to comply will result in a violation letter!

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste in YOUR trash or in the dog waste receptacles at the dog park.
- Always keep your dog on a leash and walk them on the road. **8' lead is the maximum allowed.**
- Do not allow your dog to walk, defecate, or urinate in other residents' yards or RV sites.
- Dogs must always be accompanied by an owner, when outside a residence or RV.
- You must keep your dog under control, especially around other dogs and pedestrians.
- Under the noise ordinance, excessive barking is considered a nuisance to other residents, inside or outside a residence.
- ALL PETS must be registered in the office. 8. Please keep cats on leash and do not let them out of your home unsupervised.

**Don't forget to send in your dog and/or cat vaccinations to the office.**

**Please clean up after your dogs in the dog park! If they poop, you stoop and scoop!!!!!!**



**Unless your dog can do this, please remember to pick up after your pet!**

## Concerns/Complaints About Animals

For all concerns/complaints about animals in or around the park please call:

Lee County Domestic Animal Services at 239-533-7387



## Wake Zones

The Orange River is an "Idle" zone river all season long. "Idle Speed, No Wake" Zone: A designated area where vessels must be operated at a speed no greater than that which is necessary to maintain steerage and headway. The vessel should not produce a wake at this speed.

The Caloosahatchee River has a "slow wake" from November 15 to March 31. Slow-No Wake

means operating a boat at the slowest speed necessary to maintain steerage and reduces or eliminates waves that appear as white water behind the boat in the same location frequently. Resume normal operating speed from April 1- November 14.

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- Enter your email address.
- Click on "FORGOT PASSWORD" and then submit your request.



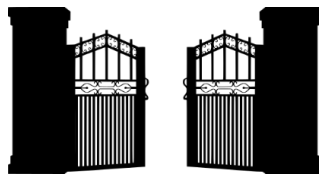
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- Lock and chain.
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**New Orange Harbor Entry & Gate Procedure**

There are three entry lanes: right for RV staging (get code, then shift left), center for residents/staff with electronic stickers (automatic gate opens), and left for all other vehicles (use keypad to call resident for entry).

- The new gate system was activated on September 15, 2025. Only registered residents can get stickers; all sublease tenants must be vetted by the office.
- Each gate set includes Lift and Swing Gates. Swing Gates are open 6:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.; after hours, both gates require keypad or sticker access. Lift Gates open individually for authorized vehicles and all exiting traffic.
- Residents are called from 727-627-0781 at the keypad for gate opening. Surveillance cameras monitor entries/exits.
- Emergency vehicles, Amazon, and U.S. Mail use dedicated entry systems. Vendors and delivery companies may have special codes; other services must use the keypad.
- During emergencies, gates open automatically. Temporary codes for guests/contractors are available from the office and must be managed by residents.
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### Orange Harbor Resident Information 2024

The Orange Harbor Board of Directors would like to update and verify resident information to have a complete and accurate resident file. **Please complete this** document as accurately as possible. We plan to continuously update your files electronically and would appreciate your help in keeping Orange Harbor records as complete and accurate as possible.

**Full Name:** Resident 1) \_\_\_\_\_

Resident 2) \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Orange Harbor Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Email Address:** Resident 1) \_\_\_\_\_

Resident 2) \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Phone Numbers:** Resident 1) C \_\_\_\_\_ H \_\_\_\_\_

Resident 2) C \_\_\_\_\_ H \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Status** in the Park

- Full Time
- Part Time

**Circle Months** typically in Orange Harbor: Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

**Pets:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vaccine Dates:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Property Manager** when not in Residence: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check all that apply:**

- Shareholder
- Homeowner (Also known as Tenant: you own your home, but rent your land from the CoOp)
- Renter (Persons who do not own a home in Orange Harbor, but rent from Shareholders & Tenants)
- Seasonal (You can be any of the 3 above and also be Seasonal) Mail delivery only when you're in OH.)
- RV

I agree to receive notices and current park information regarding Orange Harbor Mobile Home & RV Park using the above designated e-mail address.

Signature 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Signature 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be added to the Orange Harbor Mobile Home and RV Park Directory. Yes No

Signature 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Signature 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***This information shared with Orange Harbor Mobile Home & RV Park is considered confidential and is for the Orange Harbor CoOp & office use only.***

| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday                                | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday                              | Saturday  |
|----------|--------|--|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| May 2026 |        |  |           |          | 1                                   | 2<br>8-9am All Park<br>Breakfast                    |
| 3        | 4      | 5<br>6:30pm Dingo                      | 6         | 7        | 8                                   | 9   |
| 10       | 11     | 12<br>5pm Bingo Dinner<br>6:30pm Bingo | 13        | 14       | 15                                  | 16<br>8-9am All Park<br>Breakfast                   |
| 17       | 18     | 19<br>6:30pm Dingo                     | 20        | 21       | 22<br>9am Board Director<br>Meeting | 23<br>9:30am Coffee &<br>Donuts<br>9:45am Town Hall |
| 24       | 25     | 26<br>5pm Bingo Dinner<br>6:30pm Bingo | 27        | 28       | 29                                  | 30<br>8-9am All Park<br>Breakfast                   |
| 31       |        |  |           |          |                                     |   |

**Dates and times subject to change**

| Sunday                     | Monday                                  | Tuesday                                 | Wednesday  | Thursday                                | Friday   | Saturday |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|----------|
| 5:30pm Hand, Knee,<br>Foot | 8am Power Walking<br>9am Water Aerobics | 8am Power Walking<br>9am Water Aerobics | 8am Power Walking<br>9am Water Aerobics<br>11am Mahjong<br>5:30pm Hand, Knee,<br>Foot<br>6pm Mexican Train | 8am Power Walking<br>9am Water Aerobics | 8am Power Walking<br>9am Water Aerobics<br>1pm Texas Hold'Em |          |

**“May every sunrise hold more promise and every sunset hold more peace.”**

Photo by Bonnie Thomas





# This Month at a Glance-May 2026



Power Walking  
Video M-F 8am  
Water Aerobics  
M-F 9am

Hand, Knee,  
Foot Sunday  
5:30pm  
Wednesday  
5:30pm

Wednesday  
Mahjong  
11am  
Mexican Train  
6pm

Texas Hold-  
Em  
Friday 1pm

## Upcoming Event You Don't Want to Miss!



Bingo  
May 12 & 26  
@ 6:30pm

Dingo  
May 5 & 19 @  
6:30pm

All Park Breakfast May 2, 16 &  
30 @ 8am-9pm  
Coffee & Donuts  
May 23 @ 9:30am

## Important Reminders

- May 22 Board of Directors Meeting 9am
- May 23 Town Hall Meeting 9:45am

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