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What's Happening at Wiggins

"The best part of any community isn't the place—it's the people who make it special." Unknown



WELCOME BACK!

There's a special feeling in the air when another season begins at Wiggins Lakes & Preserve! It's time to reconnect with old friends, welcome new neighbors, enjoy familiar traditions, and make plenty of new memories along the way. Whether you're returning for another season or experiencing your first year at Wiggins, we're glad you're here!

A very special WELCOME to all of our new owners!

You've joined a community that's about more than beautiful surroundings and sunny Florida days. It's about friendly faces, neighbors helping neighbors, social gatherings, shared experiences, and the friendships that make Wiggins such a wonderful place. We hope you'll jump right in, get involved, and make yourself at home!

As we kick off another season, we're pleased to bring you **What's Happening in Wiggins**, our community newsletter, put together by your Communications Committee: Art Dietze, Mitzi Fazzola, Roger Jonas, and Sue Szachowicz (Board Liaison). A big thank-you to this terrific group for volunteering their time and talents to keep everyone connected and informed!

Our goal is simple: to keep you up to date on the many wonderful things happening around Wiggins, share highlights from our social events and community activities, and introduce you to interesting places to eat, explore, and enjoy throughout our area.

But we'd love for this newsletter to be more than just something you read—we want it to be something our entire community helps create! Have an interesting story to share?

Discovered a great new restaurant? Found a fun place to visit or an activity others might enjoy? Have an idea for something you'd like to see included? We want to hear from you!

This is YOUR community newsletter, and everyone's ideas and contributions are welcome. Simply send your articles, suggestions, recommendations, or photos to sueszach@aol.com.

Welcome back, everyone. Let's make it another great season at Wiggins!

SAVE THE DATE: NEXT BOARD MEETING:
WEDNESDAY, DEC 2 1:00 PM
In the Clubhouse and by zoom

Our website: wlpnaples.com

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW OWNERS AND OUR OLD FRIENDS

Meet Our Board: A Little More About thePeople Behind the Board Table

If you've ever attended a Board meeting, you've probably seen them in action discussing budgets, community projects, maintenance issues, and all the things that keep Wiggins running smoothly. But there's a lot more to our Board members than meeting agendas and motions! So, we thought it would be fun to introduce them to our newer neighbors (and perhaps share a few things even longtime residents might not know).

From former careers and interesting adventures to hobbies, hidden talents, and favorite things about living at Wiggins, here's a little glimpse into the people who volunteer their time to help make our community such a special place.

Tom Wennogle - President



Tom grew up in Summit, NJ and after college found himself moving around to a number of different places before eventually making his way to Naples from Johnson City, Tennessee. An avid golfer and fly fisherman, Tom and his wife have also been fortunate enough to travel to some pretty amazing places. When it came time to find their landing spot in Naples, Wiggins turned out to be just the right fit. Tom describes our community as a "hidden gem" with a great location. We think that's a pretty good description!

Sue Szachowicz - Vice President



If you hear someone cheering for the Patriots, Red Sox, Celtics, or Bruins, probably Sue is nearby! Born and raised in Brockton, Massachusetts, just outside Boston, Sue spent her career as a teacher and principal at Brockton High School, one of the largest urban high schools in the country, with more than 4,500 students. She loved her career, but after retiring, she and her husband, Bill (also a former Brockton teacher), began their next adventure in Naples. After several years of snowbirding, they made Wiggins their full-time home in 2016. Retirement has brought some new discoveries, including pickleball, along with walking, reading, and exploring Naples restaurants. But what Sue enjoys is the people. She's made some amazing friendships here and couldn't be happier with their decision to call Wiggins home. In true Boston fashion, her assessment of our community is simple: **Wiggins is WICKED AWESOME**!

Meet Our Board (Continued)

Dave Lyle - Treasurer



Born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Dave has taken a scenic route through life! Before retiring, he was President of Walstrom Marine in Harbor Springs, but has had amazing experiences. He has been a ferry boat captain, worked on Great Lakes freighters, sailed on container ships, crewed on tugboats, and served as first mate on a supply boat. He even completed the Great Loop aboard a 28-foot Pearson sailboat, a yearlong adventure that took him from Michigan down the Mississippi, across the Gulf of Mexico, around Florida, through the Bahamas, up the East Coast, and back home through the Great Lakes. And he managed to graduate from Michigan State along the way! Dave and his wife Cynthia bought at Wiggins in 2015, and their family includes their son, Marc, and a Cavapoo named Journey. He enjoys walking on the beaches, boating, and playing six-string and bass guitar. With a lifetime spent around boats and water, Dave jokes that he has "barnacles on my ankles!"

One of the things he appreciates most about Wiggins is the sense of community. People pitch in and volunteer to make our community a great place to live. And he loves his morning walk with Journey and the opportunity to meet other neighbors and our four-legged friends!

Geoff Moore - Secretary



Geoff and his wife, Taylor, joined Wiggins at the end of 2023, along with their dog, Tito. Originally from Gig Harbor, Washington, about an hour south of Seattle, Geoff has a few interesting chapters in his career story. He's a real estate agent with SERHANT, where he runs the Moore Group with his business partner. But before becoming a professional golfer after college, he worked with both the Georgia Bulldogs football team and the Seattle Seahawks! A former professional golfer who still loves time on the course, he's also a DJ and music producer who spins House music at venues around South Florida. Add drone photography to the list, and you've got someone with quite a collection of talents! His idea of a perfect day includes a workout, golf, a sunset cruise, dinner, and music with friends. Sounds like a pretty good Naples lifestyle! Geoff says he and Taylor have felt incredibly welcome since arriving at Wiggins and for a special Naples outing, he recommends checking out the festive holiday light show at Naples Botanical Garden.



Maggie Herrmann- Director

Maggie grew up in Wisconsin and still maintains a home there, so she gets to enjoy the best of both worlds. She and her husband, Jeff, have been married for nearly 35 years and have two children, Mariah and Ethan. Before retiring about five years ago, Maggie spent an impressive 27 years in law enforcement. That's a career that certainly must have provided plenty of interesting experiences! Since retirement, she's traded in some of that professional activity for traveling, reading, beach time, and spending time with family

Meet Our Board (Continued)

and friends. Maggie and Jeff have owned their Wiggins condo since 2016, and like many of us, they consider this community a hidden gem. Maggie appreciates how people look out for one another and are always willing to lend a hand when needed.



Terry Weiner - Director

Although Terry grew up in Chicago, he spent 50 years in upstate New York, where he built a career as a professor of Political Science and college administrator. He and his wife, Vicky, have been married for 54 years and have three children and five grandchildren. They've called Wiggins home for eight years. When it comes to enjoying retirement, Terry likes to keep things simple: reading, walking, and playing bocce. And when asked to describe his perfect day, his answer was simply, "Every day!" Terry encourages residents to explore Naples' wonderful performing arts scene, including Gulfshore Playhouse, TheatreZone, Florida Repertory Theatre, and The Naples Players. And for anyone looking to get more involved at Wiggins, he has a simple recommendation: get out and enjoy the wonderful events organized by our Social Committee!

And That's Our Board!

Six different backgrounds, six different stories, but one thing they all have in common is that they chose Wiggins as a place to call home. Whether it's the friendships, the beautiful surroundings, the activities, or simply the feeling of being part of a community where people look out for one another, there's a lot to appreciate here.

So the next time you see one of these folks around the neighborhood, at the pool, on a walk, or at a social event, stop and say hello. You might discover there's an interesting story behind that Board meeting name after all!

Getting to Know Our Property Manager - Dana Schipper



If you've stopped by the Clubhouse lately, chances are you've seen Dana Schipper, our Property Manager, hard at work keeping things running smoothly at Wiggins. But there's a lot more to Dana than handling maintenance requests, coordinating vendors, and keeping us all on track with our community rules. So, we thought it was time to get to know the person behind the job!

Dana grew up in the small rural town of Fulda, Minnesota, a close-knit community of just 1,200 people; in fact, her parents, grandparents, and siblings still live there or nearby. There she learned at an early age the value of hard work while taking care of the chickens and cattle. She became adept at throwing around 50 pound bales of hay. One thing she misses most? The town's annual June festival, Wood Duck Days, complete with carnival rides and a street dance. Sounds like a pretty good hometown tradition!

Dana went to Clark University in Dubuque Iowa where she earned her degree in English and

history. She worked for a couple of firms before landing a job with Target in the Twin Cities.

So, how did a Minnesota girl end up in Southwest Florida? Her partner of 16 years, Jeremy, was offered a great career opportunity here, and they decided to give Florida a try. But there's one little detail that might surprise you: Dana LOVES winter! Snow, cold weather, the whole package. She admits she didn't quite realize how much she'd miss it when she made the move south. And as far as she's concerned, Christmas in Florida just isn't quite the same as Christmas in Minnesota.

When Dana isn't working, she enjoys the simple pleasures. A perfect morning might mean an early sunrise trip to Ave Maria with her dog, Lulu, for a walk around North Park, followed by a stop at Dunkin' for a drink and, of course, a pup cup for Lulu. She's also an avid reader, but don't offer her an e-reader – Dana likes her books the old-fashioned way, in print! She enjoys baking desserts and cakes and is currently working on improving her bread-making skills. And when it comes to dinner (or, as her Midwest family would insist, supper), one of her favorites is panang curry from Thai Udon.

Dana is also a women's basketball fan, enjoying both NCAA and WNBA games. And someday, she'd love to travel throughout the United Kingdom – England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales – to explore the many historical sites. Given her fascination with British history, we're guessing she'd need more than a few days to see everything on her list!

Having spent much of her career in portfolio management, she says one of the things she's enjoyed most about Wiggins is the opportunity to get to know residents personally. She enjoys having residents stop by the Clubhouse just to say hello. That's a nice change!

One final thing Dana hopes all Wiggins owners will understand: Even if a request takes time to resolve, it doesn't mean it's been forgotten! She makes every effort to respond promptly and is continually working behind the scenes to move issues and requests toward resolution.

We're glad Dana is part of the Wiggins community, and the next time you see her at the Clubhouse, stop by and say hello. Just don't be surprised if you find her dreaming about a Minnesota snowstorm!

Our Social Activities Have Begun!



Thanks to Jodi Dilley and her team of volunteers, Wiggins has a busy social calendar! Specific information will be provided about each of these activities, but here is an "At-Your Fingertips" calendar of our events.

NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
11/11: Veterans Day Coffee Social 11/28: Decorating Clubhouse	12/11: Ugly Sweater Party	1/6: New Year's Coffee Social 1/11: BINGO 1/23: Mexican Dinner (Iguana Mia)/Price Is Right	2/8: BINGO 2/10: Valentines Day Coffee Social 2/27: Chinese Dinner/Trivia Night	3/8: BINGO 3/17: St. Patty's Day Coffee Social 3/20: Italian Dinner/Majority Rules	4/10: End of Season Block Party

COMING TOGETHER IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS



What a great way to kick off our season of community fun! More than 50 neighbors joined us for our Veterans Day Morning Coffee Social, filling the Clubhouse with conversation, laughter, and plenty of good cheer. And best of all, it was free for everyone!

A huge thank-you to all those who brought homemade breakfast pastries and goodies to share. There was certainly no shortage of delicious treats or friendly conversation! A special highlight of the morning was gathering at our beautiful new flagpole to honor and recognize our Wiggins veterans. It was a meaningful way to celebrate those who have served and to show our appreciation.



Honoring three of our Wiggins veterans: Dan Matthew, Tony Esposito, and Ed Stull









June Dunphy shows her patriotism and honors her late husband Jim wearing his US Marine Corp hat.





Perhaps the best part of the morning was the wonderful spirit of camaraderie – catching up with old friends, making new ones, and welcoming several new owners. We're so glad you're here. Welcome to Wiggins! A packed Clubhouse, good food, new friendships, and a chance to honor our veterans – that's what community is all about. Here's to a fantastic season together!



🎄 Let the Holiday Fun Begin at Wiggins!

The holiday season is just around the corner, and we have two great opportunities to get together, spread a little Christmas cheer, and enjoy some Wiggins camaraderie!



The Holiday Spirit has arrived at Wiggins!

🎅 Saturday, November 28 – 1:00 PM
Help Us Deck the Halls!

We're inviting neighbors to come lend a hand as we decorate our Clubhouse and Christmas tree for the holiday season! Whether you're a decorating pro or simply enjoy being part of the fun, we'd love to have you join us. It's a great way to kick off the season, share some laughs, and make our Clubhouse look festive for everyone to enjoy.



🎄 Friday, December 11 – 5:00 PM
Ugly Sweater Party!

Get ready to dig out that wonderfully awful Christmas sweater! Delia and Ed Stull are taking the lead in organizing a fun evening of food, games, and plenty of holiday laughs.

Join your neighbors for a chicken and side salad dinner, games, and an Ugly Sweater Contest. Be sure to wear socks for the games and, of course, your ugliest holiday sweater!

A special thank-you to Delia and Ed for stepping up and making this event happen!

And speaking of social events...

You don't have to be on a committee or the Board to make something happen in our community. Have an idea for a social gathering, a fun activity, or something you'd like to see neighbors enjoy together? Take the lead! Our Social Committee is happy to provide support and help turn good ideas into great events.

Some of the best things happening at Wiggins start with a neighbor saying, "Wouldn't it be fun if we...?"

So, come join the festivities, meet some neighbors, make new friends, and help us make this another wonderful holiday season at Wiggins. After all, the best part of the holidays isn't what's under the tree—it's the people gathered around it!

Let's make some holiday memories together!

Activities and Events at Wiggins

We post this in every issue so that everyone knows about all the activities scheduled during the season. If you are interested in participating in any of these activities, just go to the appropriate location at the time of the activity, meet the participants, and join in!



Pickleball: Scheduled daily from 9:00-10:30 AM for experienced intermediate level pickleball players. Location: The tennis/pickleball courts. The courts are open on a first come first served basis at all other times of the day, except for tennis (see below). The courts and our community pickleball are for Wiggins residents only.



Tennis: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Time: 10:30 AM - noon. Location: tennis/pickleball court. There is a small group of dedicated tennis players who always looking for other tennis players to join them. For Wiggins residents

Has not yet started



Water Aerobics: Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Time: 9:00-10:00 AM. Location: the east pool (near the tennis/pickleball court). If the outside temperature is below 65 degrees, the activity does not take place.



Book Club: The third Thursday of every month from October to May. Time: 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Wiggins Clubhouse. Books for discussion are selected by the members of the Club; discussions are always engaging. (The October and May meetings are held virtually; all other months meetings are in person.)



Mexican Train: Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 PM. Wiggins Clubhouse. Mexican Train is a game played with dominoes; bring nickels and dimes to ante up and participate.



Rummikub: Fridays from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Wiggins Clubhouse.



Euchre: Thursdays at 7:00 PM. (except for the third Thursday of the month when it shifts to Friday). Wiggins Clubhouse. Bring $5.00 to play with a chance to win the pot at the end of the night.



Poker: Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Wiggins Clubhouse.



Bingo: Second Monday of the month in Jan, Feb, and March at 7:00 PM. Wiggins Clubhouse. $5.00 per card, or 3 cards for $10. Multiple games played per night; use the same cards all night.



Ping-Pong:

We have a ping-pong table in the Clubhouse that is available for owners and their guests. It is open play on a first come-first served basis. Come on over and give it a try - even if you are a newcomer!





NAPLES BOTANICAL GARDEN: A COLORFUL DAY

Our Naples community members recently enjoyed a memorable visit to Naples Botanical Garden, where the lush tropical setting came alive with the color and traditions of Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). The celebration honors loved ones who have passed away through music, art, flowers, and remembrance.







Wiggins members at Día de los Muertos

The Garden continues to welcome visitors for seasonal favorites, including Night Lights in the Garden, music, art, and horticultural programs. Check the official events calendar for current dates, tickets, and details. Events and visitor information: naplesgarden.org/events-and-exhibitions/



Thinking of renting/leasing your unit?

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROCESS, PLEASE CONTACT DANA!

Wiggins has clear guidelines for renting/leasing your unit. So that the process goes smoothly for you, here are some guidelines:

Minimum Lease Term

- Units may be leased for no fewer than 30 consecutive days or one full calendar month (whichever is shorter).
- Each unit may have a maximum of three (3) leases per calendar year.
- Subleasing is not permitted under any circumstances.

Lease Approval Requirements

- **30 day advanced notice**: Owners or leasing agents must notify the Property Management Company at least 30 days prior to the lease start date.
- **Board Approval:** All leases require Board of Directors approval before occupancy.

AN APPLICATION FEE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH LEASE SUBMISSION!

RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Vehicle Registration**: All owners, renters, and lessees must register their vehicle(s) with the Property Manager.

PET POLICY:

- **No pets or animals are permitted for renters, tenants, or guests.**



LEASE APPLICATION:

- To apply for a lease, please complete the official application form or provide the link to your prospective tenant:
- **Wiggins Lakes Lease Application**

https://wlpnaples.com/forms/Wiggins%20Lakes%20Lease%20Application.pdf

Christmas Bazaars & Holiday Markets

Holiday Shopping Around Collier County | November & December 2026

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Naples! Gather a few Wiggins friends and discover handmade gifts, festive decorations, fine art and local holiday traditions.

NOVEMBER HOLIDAY BAZAARS

Saturday, November 14 | St. Peter the Apostle

8:30 AM–2:30 PM • 5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd.

Traditional holiday bazaar with crafts, jewelry, baked goods and raffles. Free admission.

Saturday, November 14 | Gifted! Holiday Shopping

9:30 AM–5 PM • Naples Woman's Club, 570 Park St.

Browse vendors offering jewelry, clothing, home décor, gourmet foods and holiday gifts.

Saturday, November 14 | Naples Artcrafters

10 AM–4 PM • Cambier Park, Naples

Original art and handmade crafts by local artists. Free admission.

Saturday, November 28 | ARTful Gifts

10 AM–4 PM • Cambier Park, Naples

Shop for paintings, ceramics, jewelry, sculpture and one-of-a-kind handcrafted gifts.

Make a day of it: enjoy a bazaar, meet friends for lunch, and admire the holiday decorations downtown!

DECEMBER HOLIDAY MARKETS

Saturday, December 5 | Holiday Bazaar Market Place

8200 Immokalee Road, Naples

A seasonal holiday marketplace. Check with the organizer for confirmed hours and details.

December 5–6 | Naples Fine Art Show

Coastland Center, 1900 Tamiami Trail N.

Browse distinctive artwork and creations from talented artists and craftspeople.

Saturday, December 12 | Naples Artcrafters

10 AM–4 PM • Cambier Park, Naples

Another opportunity to discover beautiful local artwork and handcrafted gifts. Free admission.

MORE HOLIDAY CHEER

November 23 | Christmas on Third

Third Street South, Naples

Tree lighting, holiday music and a festive downtown atmosphere.

December 4–5 | Christmas on Fifth

Fifth Avenue South, Naples

Holiday decorations, entertainment and seasonal shopping.

A WIGGINS HOLIDAY TIP

Invite a few neighbors, shop local, and enjoy the magic of the Christmas season together!

FARMERS MARKETS IN THE AREA



St. John's Farmers Market

625 111th Avenue North, Naples, FL 34108 | (239) 560-8078

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Tuesdays, 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM, beginning November 3, 2026 (seasonal)

St. John's Farmers Market gives North Naples shoppers a weekday farmers market option. The market features local vendors, produce, baked goods, specialty foods, local favorites, handmade products, and community shopping. The market's Instagram profile announces its second season beginning November 3, 2026, at St. John's Church. Dog-friendly.



Coconut Point Farmers Market

23106 Fashion Drive, Estero, FL 33928 | (239) 218-1055

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Thursdays, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, October – April; closed Thanksgiving

Coconut Point Farmers Market is Estero's primary seasonal farmers market. Located near the Panera parking lot at Coconut Point, this Thursday market features produce, seafood, meats, flowers, local honey, baked goods, prepared foods, soaps, candles, baskets, hats, handmade items, and other local products. This is a convenient weekday market for Estero, Bonita Springs, and South Fort Myers. Parking is easy, and shoppers can also visit Coconut Point's stores and restaurants before or after the market.



Vanderbilt Farmers Market

2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples, FL 34109 | (239) 293-0666

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Saturdays, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM (current hours published by The Shoppes at Vanderbilt).

Vanderbilt Farmers Market is one of the larger farmers markets in North Naples, with a strong mix of produce, flowers, baked goods, honey, prepared foods, specialty items, artisan products, and local vendors. It is a convenient option for shoppers in North Naples, Pelican Marsh, Vanderbilt Beach, and nearby communities. This market is a good choice when you want variety. You can stop in for weekly produce, grab breakfast or lunch from a food vendor, and browse gifts, plants, crafts, and local goods in one place.



Bonita Springs Farmers Market at The Promenade

26795 South Bay Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 34134 | (239) 218-1055

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Saturdays, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM, October – May (2026–2027 season)

The Bonita Springs Farmers Market at The Promenade is one of the area's best seasonal markets. Visitors can shop for fresh fruits and vegetables, flowers, plants, baked goods, seafood, honey, jams, prepared foods, drinks, artisan products, and handmade goods. The Promenade setting makes this market especially pleasant because shoppers can pair the market with restaurants, boutiques, coffee, and a shaded walk through the plaza. It is a strong Saturday morning option for Bonita Springs, North Naples, and Estero residents.



Pine Ridge Road Farmers Market

3370 Pine Ridge Road, Naples, FL 34105 | (239) 200-4401

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Sundays, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, year-round

Pine Ridge Road Farmers Market is a year-round Sunday market in central Naples, located near the corner of Pine Ridge Road and Livingston Road. The market includes fresh produce, gourmet foods, desserts, flowers, arts and crafts, handmade products, fair-trade goods, and local small businesses.

Because it operates on Sundays, it is a helpful option for anyone who misses the Saturday markets. It also has a neighborhood feel, making it easy to stop by for fresh food, gifts, and local finds before the new week begins.



Bayshore Market

3200 Bayshore Drive, Naples, FL 34112

Website

Market Days & Hours:

Sundays, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, year-round

Held along the waterfront at Gardenia House and Bayshore Warehouse, this Sunday market features fresh produce, local food vendors, artisan goods, music and community activities.

Multiple Days & Seasonal Farm Visits



Farmer Mike's U-Pick – Bonita Springs

26031 Morton Avenue, Bonita Springs, FL 34135 | (239) 498-4576

Website

Typical Hours:

Generally daily, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, October – May; crop availability varies. Confirm before visiting.

Farmer Mike's U-Pick is one of the most famous farm destinations in Southwest Florida. The farm hosts seasonal u-pick opportunities, pumpkin patches, sunflower fields, produce harvesting, family events, and holiday-themed attractions throughout the year. The farm is especially popular with families because there is often much more to do than simply pick produce. Depending on the season, visitors may find photo opportunities, food vendors, educational activities, and family-friendly entertainment.

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This newsletter is put together by our committee, and we would love to have community input. This is YOUR community newsletter, and everyone's ideas and contributions are welcome. Simply send your articles, photos, or any suggestions to sueszach@aol.com.

Be sure to check out the Wiggins Weekly, our Board publication, every weekend. That provides timely updates on any issues in our community.

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