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## News From Shell Point®

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## Join us for a FREE Presentation & Tour at Shell Point

### Discover for yourself what residents already know.

That Shell Point is the perfect place for unparalleled retirement living and includes everything that makes the Florida lifestyle attractive: boating, golf, fishing, gardening, swimming, shopping, concerts, attractions and more — all in a resort-style setting.

Visit us and take part in a “Discover Shell Point” Presentation and Tour to learn more about the community!

This educational presentation will offer guests the opportunity to learn about the resort-style retirement options and comprehensive lifecare available in this award-winning waterfront community.

During this presentation, Shell Point’s experienced retirement counselors will explain the numerous benefits received when becoming a resident at Shell Point including comprehensive lifecare, various floorplan and contract options, and an overview of this resort-style community. Once the presentation is complete, guests will have the chance to ask specific questions and tour the community.

Admission to these seminars is free and refreshments will be served; however, seating is limited, so reservations are required and may be made by calling (239) 228-4080 (press 1 for sales) or register on-line at [www.shellpoint.org/seminars](http://www.shellpoint.org/seminars).



### AVAILABLE DATES

Tuesday, **November 27**

Tuesday, **December 4**

Tuesday, **December 11**

Tuesday, **December 18**

**Register by calling  
(239) 228-4080 or  
1-800-780-1131, and  
press 1 for sales.**

**You can also sign up by visiting  
[www.shellpoint.org/seminars](http://www.shellpoint.org/seminars).**

**Hurry! Space is limited and  
dates are filling up quickly.**

**Presentations begin at 9:30 a.m.**







# Celebrating 50 Years of Golden Memories

Through the past 50 years of Shell Point's history, there have been many individuals who have tried to capture this community's story — and what an interesting tale it is!



Shell Point residents enjoyed a walk down memory lane on Tuesday, October 23, during a special community event entitled *50 Years of Golden Memories: A Walk Through the Decades*. The Village Church transformed to feature a museum-style exhibit that depicted Shell Point's five decades of history and included display boards, historical photos, artifacts from the recently unearthed time capsule and so much more. Each decade was represented and many attendees recognized memorabilia

showcased from each era.

Following a ribbon cutting with Shell Point President Martin Schappell and Christian and Missionary Alliance President John Stumbo, attendees walked through the twists and turns of the historical showcase before cruising into the 1950s Soda Fountain for sweet Coca-Cola and root beer floats, candy and ice cream treats. A classic car show, staged under the Village Church porte-cochere, took guests back to the days of classic cruisers.



## Shell Point Receives Prestigious Eagle Accreditation

Shell Point Retirement Community is proud to have recently received national accreditation from the EAGLE Accreditation Commission.

Educational Assessment Guidelines Leading toward Excellence (EAGLE) is the only faith-based accrediting body in the world, and its goal is to recognize organizations that voluntarily go beyond the minimum requirements of licensure to improve operational processes and outcomes.

"EAGLE accreditation is an important component of our continued pursuit of excellence at Shell Point, and it signifies that Shell Point meets rigorous standards of quality and care while also fulfilling our not-for-profit, faith-based mission," said Shell Point President Martin Schappell. "This achievement is especially meaning-



ful as our organization is celebrating its 50th anniversary of providing lifecare services to more than 2,400 residents in an unparalleled setting in Southwest Florida."

The primary emphasis of EAGLE Accreditation's standards is on strength and excellence in Christian ministry, with a focus on how applicant organizations incorporate their Christian mission, religious heritage and values throughout the organization and its daily operations. Other areas of emphasis include focusing on results and outcomes, striving to improve, meeting legal and regulatory requirements, and ensuring privacy, accuracy, accessibility and confidentiality of both client and staff data and information.

For more information about EAGLE Accreditation, visit [www.ouruma.org/eagle](http://www.ouruma.org/eagle).

## Shell Point Named As Finalist in 2018 Industry Appreciation Awards



Each year the Horizon Council, Horizon Foundation, and the Lee County Economic Development Office celebrate local business contributions through its Industry Appreciation Awards.

During an awards banquet held in October, Shell Point was named as a finalist in the Business of the Year category. "It was

an honor to be considered for such a prestigious award, and especially during our organization's 50th anniversary year," said Shell Point President Martin Schappell.

Shell Point residents are already familiar with the company who took home the title: FineMark National Bank & Trust. One of the bank's offices is conveniently located on The Island at Shell Point.



Every day, the United States Postal Service processes and delivers nearly 500 million pieces of mail, each bearing a colorful, varied assortment of postage stamps. But after the birthday cards, love letters and packages reach their final destinations, what happens to the cancelled stamps?

Enter the Alliance Stamp Ministry at Shell Point. Since its inception in 1972, the Stamp Ministry's cadre of dedicated resident volunteers have collected, processed and resold this unique commodity.

In 2018, the hard work of the past 46 years paid off as the Stamp Ministry crossed an extraordinary milestone: more than \$1 million raised through the sale of cancelled stamps!

All proceeds raised have been donated to help fund the printing of Sunday School literature for children living in Central and South America.

A running tally, kept since the resident-run group first formed in 1972, revealed that the \$1 million threshold was crossed during 2018 after a campaign led by group leaders Ben and Treva Crump, in honor of Shell Point's 50th anniversary.

"How special that the Stamp Ministry could celebrate such a big milestone, just as Shell Point commemorates its 50th year!" said Treva. "It's truly incredible how much can be accomplished for missions by giving a second life to discarded stamps. Little is much when God is in it; it is his ministry."

The significant impact of giving cancelled stamps a second life — and more importantly, those who have benefited from the ministry's \$1 million in donated proceeds — is undeniable. Thanks to this faithful, 46-year volunteer tradition, the Stamp Ministry truly has one million reasons to celebrate.



Shell Point residents and Stamp ministry leaders Ben and Treva Crump.

## Interested in Donating Your Cancelled Stamps?

Cancelled stamps may be sent to the Stamp Room at:

Stamp Ministry • 15000 Shell Point Blvd.  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so the donation can be acknowledged.



# 2018-2019 PERFORMING *fine* & ARTS SERIES

Con Brio Quartet, Strings



Siberian Virtuosi



Southwest  
Florida  
Symphony



The 16th anniversary season of the Shell Point Fine and Performing Arts Series is filled with an impressive array of talented artists and dynamic performances. Along with three distinct musical series, Shell Point also puts the skills of resident artists and artisans on center stage through the Fine Arts Series. There's no doubt: This season offers something for everyone!

## Fine Arts Series

### Shell Point Artists and Artisans Spring Fling

Friday & Saturday, February 8 & 9  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
The Woodlands

### 2019 Shell Point Quilt Show

Saturday, March 2 • 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Sunday, March 3 • Noon to 4 p.m.  
Monday, March 4 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
The Woodlands

### Shell Point Artists and Artisans Holiday Bazaar

First Friday in November 2019  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
The Village Church

## Performing Arts Series

These concerts take place in  
The Village Church at 7 p.m.

### *The Golden Years of Broadway* Broadway Pops

Thursday, November 15

### Memphis Motown Soul Experience

Tuesday, January 15

### Vienna Boys Choir

Tuesday, February 26

### *Benny Goodman:* *When Swing Was King* Boilermaker Jazz Band

Thursday, March 14

### Siberian Virtuosi

Thursday, April 4

To purchase tickets, or for  
more information, visit  
[www.shellpoint.org/concerts](http://www.shellpoint.org/concerts)  
or call (239) 454-2067.



## Concerts & Conversations Series

These concerts take place in  
The Woodlands at 7 p.m.

### David Crohan, Pianist

Tuesday, November 6

### Peter Fancovic, Pianist

Thursday, January 24

### Con Brio Quartet, Strings

Wednesday, February 13

### The Sanibel Trio

Thursday, March 7

### Chrysalis Chamber Players

Tuesday, April 16



Vienna  
Boys Choir

## Southwest Florida Symphony Series

These concerts take place in  
The Village Church at 7:30 p.m.

### Holiday Pops Concert *Tradition, Comfort* *and Joy*

Friday, December 7

### *Appalachian Spring*

Thursday, February 7

### *Back-to-Back Bach*

Thursday, March 21



Chrysalis Chamber Players