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The Women's Club Derby Hat Winners



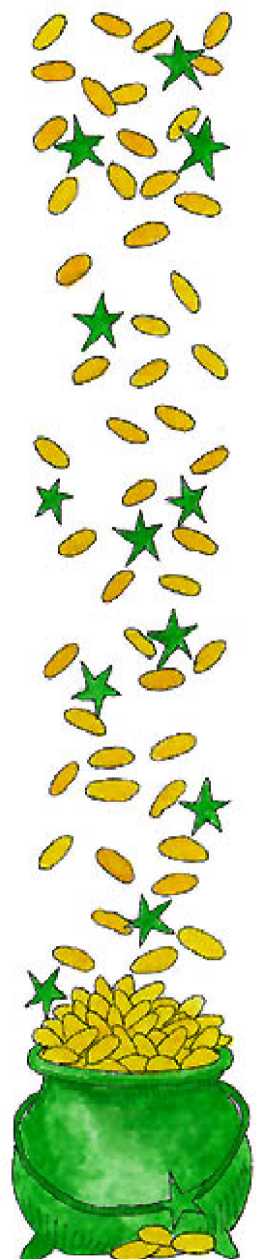
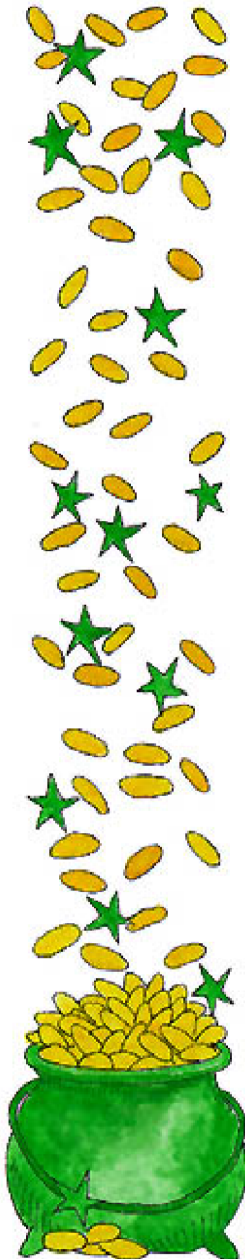
*Most Beautiful
Dawn McLean*

*Most Original
Peg Bright*

*The Funniest
Betsy Andersen*



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The Cascades Gazette

Dee Bendix, Editor
Sandy Geoffroy

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goes out to

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on the recent loss of

Guy Hellwege

beloved brother

Richard

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go out to

Marilyn Cupas

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sign-up in the Media Room*



\$16.00 members - \$18.00 guests

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Council of Community Leaders (ECCL) Role In the Community Plan Renewal Process

Many of the high priority ideas that came out of the Community Planning Workshop on November 13th do not require changes in the Community Plan or Land Development Code. Instead they require the assistance, cooperation and, sometimes, approval of various governmental and/or private institutions. A group of ECCL members have reviewed these ideas and have begun to organize to implement them.

These suggestions have been organized into four major categories:

- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Parks, Open Space and Recreation, and
- Miscellaneous.

The ECCL's Transportation Committee will work with Lee County Department of Transportation (DOT), Florida DOT, the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), BikeWalkLee and the owners of the railroad that lies just east of US 41 to improve the availability of transit in Estero; to remedy the deficiencies and disconnections in Estero's sidewalks and bike paths; to add attractively landscaped gateway signage on all the major roadway entrances to Estero and to improve the deficient and unsafe intersections scattered throughout the community.

The Economic Development Committee will work with the Lee County Economic Development Department and its public private partner, the Horizon Council; FGCU; the Lee County Port Authority; Lee County Community Development Department; the City of Bonita Springs; the Bonita Springs Chamber of Commerce and the major owners of vacant commercial parcels in Estero to strengthen Estero's connection with FGCU through economic development cooperation; development and implementation of a business attraction plan; installation of infrastructure improvements conducive to the location of major national firms in Estero and preparation of a public relations program for the community and area.

The Parks, Open Space and Recreation Committee will work with the following County departments: Community Development, Natural Resources, Transportation, Parks and Recreation, Conservation 20/20 and the Board of County Commissioners; the following State Departments: Transportation, Parks Management and Florida Forever and the South Florida Water Management District, key property owners, communities fronting on the Estero River and BikeWalkLee to improve access to the Estero River; link Estero's existing park, recreation and open space properties and complete the development of the Estero Community Park.

These three committees are still in formation and all residents of Estero are invited to volunteer to serve on any that interest them. Please contact Don Eslick by email at doneslick@comcast.net or by phone at 273-9493.

"SPRING"

submitted by Paula Van Dyke, Administrative Assistant

Spring is in the air! I have noticed many new faces throughout the Community and it's great to see so many people utilizing the amenities here at Cascades.

A quick update: Hopefully by now everyone is aware of the upcoming Comcast Conversion from Analog to Digital. To order your equipment or if you have any questions, the local number for Comcast is (239) 432-9277. Technicians from Comcast have been here several times this past week and are currently working on our Channel 95/195 issues.

Reminder: Both Estate Landscaping and Dakota Irrigation require work orders in responding to work requests. Please fill out a work order and turn it in to me at the office. Blank work orders can be found in the Media Center as well as on line at Cascadesinestero.com.

Special Thanks to the Women's Club for their hospitality!

Have a Great Day!

***Greetings from Pete Schofield,
President of the Board of Directors***

I am going to briefly recount the accomplishments of the BOD for the past year. After the election, I reviewed our situation and it became obvious that we were in serious trouble in several areas – Lake 13, irrigation, landscaping, children residing in the community, non-existent communication from the BOD to the residents and an office that badly needed help. I began an investigation of the Lake 13 mess. The more I looked, the worse it got. The total cost of the project was estimated at \$217,000. I then looked among the board members for one who did not live on a lake and had no previous involvement in the project. Rick Fried filled that bill to a “T”. I assigned him to the project along with Mrs. Bull, who later removed herself from the project for personal reasons. Rick assisted as the project progressed by Vinnie Girard and Karin Dickinson. Rick made himself an expert on the problems of Lake 13. The end result was a new plan, a new contractor and a savings of \$111,000 over the original plan we inherited. In addition we have a new lake and wetlands contractor to avoid a repeat of this fiasco. At this point, Rick Fried announced that Lee County had approved the new plan for Lake #13 and we hope that work will begin in about three weeks. We are keeping our fingers crossed.

John Love and Vinnie Girard made me aware that we were being badly used by our irrigation contractor who was using us as a cash cow. I asked Vinnie, assisted by Ron Kubinski, to come up with a new contract for 1 yr. only and make it all-encompassing. Through their efforts and a ton of work, we now have a fixed figure contract with no extra charges allowed which will save us \$40,000-50,000 per year and includes a full time irrigation tech. on the property 5 days a week. Everyone agrees the service is vastly improved.

In the case of the under-age child that had been open for over a year with negative results, within 2 months of taking office, I had a signed agreement in hand for the child to leave and they did so in August of last year. Since that time, I have removed three more under-age children from the community, with no publicity or embarrassment to the families involved and no further legal expense to the community.

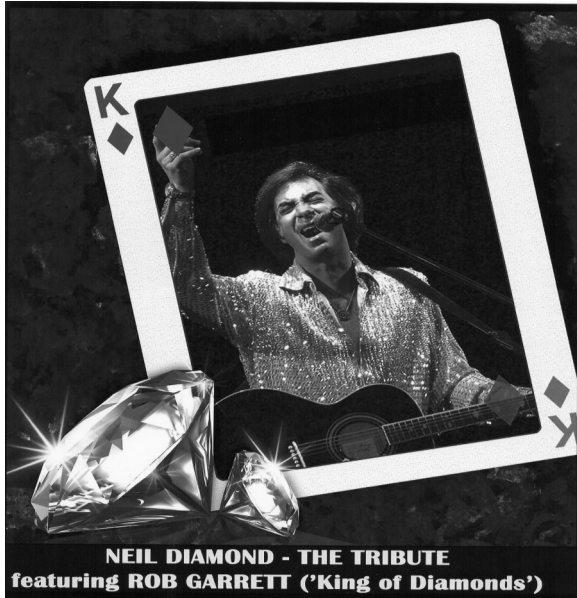
I take personal pride in our increased level of communications with the residents – we now have the Courier which keeps you informed via e-mail on many comings and goings within the Cascades. I have received much positive feedback from you regarding this. In addition we have the new Polycom conference phone which has given us a near 100% attendance for board members at our BOD meetings each month. John Piccolo and the ICC Team were my good right arm in creating these projects. We now produce the monthly Gazette in-house and at huge savings and it also has a positive revenue stream. Dee Bendix, Sandy and Joe Geoffroy are the folks that make this happen along with our new administrative assistant, Paula VanDyke and the new BizHub in the office. Hiring Paula has to be one of the best moves we made this year. Everyone who comes to the office has been impressed with how they are treated and the service they receive. Our new manager, Tony Dumas is doing a great job in keeping the place running at a good clip and within the budget.

Due to an unfortunate situation, I had to call upon Lee Lanfare to step in and take over the chair of the landscaping committee. To say he has done an outstanding job would be an understatement. In addition to being one half of our Facilities Team, he is involved with landscaping issues every day and in the process has saved the community many 1000’s of dollars. I personally got involved with the landscape contractor who agreed to forgo the \$17,000 (3%) escalation that had been previously agreed to in his contract.

Have we hit all homeruns? Of course not. Have we made mistakes? Absolutely. But we have tried to give YOU a good value for YOUR money.

I have been extremely lucky to have the folks that were elected with me be so involved and willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done. I could not have asked more from any of them.

These are the high spots. There have been more and they come on a daily basis which really makes a real difference here at the Cascades.



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New Dues Year for Cascades Women's Club

submitted by Pat Calvert, President of the Women's Club

To better serve the needs of our members, the date of your annual dues of CWC will now follow the calendar year. Members can contact Membership Chair, Bonnie Rimar at 947-4742 to pay or for additional information. Dues applications are also available from Suzi in her office. Fill out your application, and return to her with your check for \$15 as soon as possible. Dues will also be collected at all general membership meetings.



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*Women's Club Luncheon &
Installation of Officers*

April 27th at noon

Menu

Antipasto- Tomato Bruschetta

Salad - Fresh Greens

*Entrée - Chicken Parmigiana
with Spaghetti Sauce*

Served with bread & grated cheese

*Dessert - Lemon Pound Cake
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\$15.00 Members

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Your Hostesses

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Bunny Lennox-498-0716

Sign-up in the Media Room

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and are made out to "Women's Club"

Deadline is April 22nd

Famous Firsts of the 2000's

submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

Colin Powell: 2000- The first African American Secretary of State.

Hillary Rodham Clinton: 2000- The 1st First Lady ever elected to a national office.

Vonetta Flowers: 2002- The first African American female U.S. athlete to win a gold medal in a Winter Olympics. She won in the women's bobsleigh event on Fe. 19th.

Tom Ridge: 2003- The first U.S. Sec. of the Dept. of Homeland Security

Gene Robinson: 2003- The first openly gay bishop in the Episcopal Church in the U.S.

Anousheh Ansari: 2006- The first female "space tourist" on Sept. 18, 2006. She paid \$20 million to ride the Russian Soyuz TMA-9 capsule. She was also the first Iranian and Muslim woman in space.

Effa Manley: 2006- Co-owner of the African American Leagues Team... Newark Eagles. She became the first woman elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Tony Dungy: 2007- First African American coach to win a Super Bowl.

Drew Gilpin Faust: 2007- The first woman president in Harvard Univ. 371 year history.

Ann Dunwoody: 2008- The first female four-star general in the U. S. military.

Sarah Palin: 2008- The first Rep. woman in U. S. history to be nominated for vice-pres.

Danica Patrick: 2008- The first woman to win an Indy Car Race..The Indy Japan 300.

Barack Obama, Jr: 2009- The first African American United States President.

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Thank You, Cascades...

By all early accounts, our joint venture, 1st Community Wide Health Fair on February 12th, may be a success. The endeavor, by the Cascades of Estero Women's Club and the Activities Director for Cascades, became a much easier task, when we joined together to bring it about.

To all residents who took the opportunity to attend and learn from our presenters, we appreciate your participation. We sincerely seek your feedback. Tell us what you liked, and what you would like to see made available to you in a future Health Fair. (A Feedback sheet, along with a Resources Guide, was placed in your blue bag, for your convenience in replying.)

Pat Calvert, Cascades Women's Club President and Suzi Rees, Activities Director for Cascades want to hear from you. They need your input.

As co-chair with Suzi, I wish to extend my appreciation to her as a partner in this project and for the cooperation we received from the presenters as well as you residents.

A BIG Thanks also, to my committee - Carol Snyder, Dolores Donohue, Arlene Fee-Meyer, Mardi Cochrane, Betty Hellwege, Betsy Andersen, Rosemarie Romanotto, and Hospitality Chairs; Barbara Bomhard and Teresa Clark

Karen Godfrey, Health Fair Chair ~ photos by Sandy Geoffroy



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A better way to install and use the Comcast free DTA

submitted by John Piccolo

Hopefully you have ordered, by phone, your free up-to three Digital Transport Adapters (DTA) from Comcast and had them shipped free to you. If you follow their instructions precisely you will end up with the control of the attached TV via two remotes with confusing functions for each. I used a different strategy that you might prefer.

Firstly, you don't have to install, up-to your three free DTA's at the same time. Second, you may not be able to get the DTA's remote to work (learn) your TV's various functions. My way works every time and leaves you with a simpler way to remember which remote, the TV's or the DTA's to use and when. My way is the DTA's remote is used only to change the channel. The TV's remote is used for all the things you did with the TV except change the channels.

The method is simply to install the equipment but don't go through the DTA remote learning process. That's it. Now you can turn on/off the TV, make picture changes, control volume, etc. as you always did. Use the DTA's remote only to change the channels.

The DTA's come with a remote receiver and a power supply. Nice additional stuff to clutter the area. They also give you an auxiliary eye to receive the DTA's remote signals. By using the auxiliary eye you can stash the power supply and receiver out of sight and place the auxiliary eye on top of the TV or under it if you wish.

Finally when you finish installing the DTA you will get an error message on the TV telling you to call an 800 number. This is intentional so that they will know you have installed it and it's serial number. I will place this editorial on the Cascades Forum for future reference and updates if I get comments etc.

*Jill Burzynski
Board Certified
Elder Law Attorney*



*Daniel Burzynski
VA Accredited
Attorney*

**2011 Burzynski Elder Law Seminar:
Tuesday, March 1st, 2011 at 2:00 pm in the Ballroom, No Charge!
Questions and Answers about Elder Law**

The Burzynski Elder Law Team will address questions posed by the Seminar Attendees. Attendees will choose the topics we discuss. In past “Question and Answers” Seminars we have addressed such topics as:

- ⇒ Estate Planning Documents and Common Mistakes
- ⇒ The Importance of a Living Will
- ⇒ End of Life Care
- ⇒ Legal Issues to Consider Before Gifting Property
- ⇒ Asset Protection in the Event Long Term Care is Needed
- ⇒ Whether Joint Accounts Should Be Used to Avoid Probate
- ⇒ Changes in Medicaid and Medicare Laws
- ⇒ Veterans’ Benefits
- ⇒ What is a Life Care Plan?

I Didn’t Know That

submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

When you hear the words “Whole Nine Yards,” it is understandable to think it refers to some form of material, but it doesn’t. Truth of the matter is, the “whole nine yards” refers to the maximum amount of cement the original cement trucks could hold. It was the construction industry that gave us the term as their standard cement truck could only carry enough mix for nine cubic yards of concrete per load.

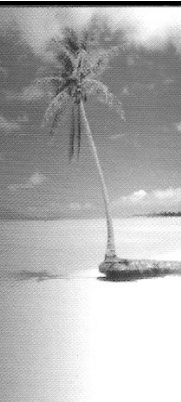
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7:30 - 9pm**

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ANNUAL MEETING 2011

As all of you know, this is the first Annual Meeting I have experienced at Cascades. It proved to be an informative and interesting exercise; different in some respects but similar in others. What struck me forcibly was the concern over the form of the Proxy and how that document works. In fairness though, having to establish a quorum and provide for a vote on the Resale Capital Contribution amendment in the same document can be somewhat confusing. In the end result, a majority of owners submitted their Proxies well in time for the meeting, thus obviating the necessity of signing in on the night of the meeting and saving considerable time. My sincere appreciation to them for their assistance and cooperation. It made a big difference to the way in which we were able to conduct the meeting and start on time. In fact, only 9 signed in upon arrival; a big change from the 95 last year.

It is now common knowledge that this is to be your Board for 2011:

President:	Pete Schofield
Vice President:	Rick Fried
Treasurer:	Vinnie Girard
Secretary:	Karin Dickinson
Director:	Lee Lanfare
Director:	Jackie Bull
Director:	Bill Williams

My sincere congratulations to those newly elected. I look forward to working with them for the continued betterment and success of the community.

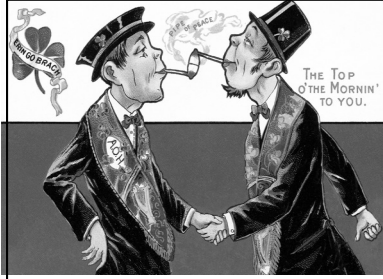
To those who were not elected, thank you for running. Please do not be disheartened as we look forward to seeing you on the ballot next year.

To Frank Rice, who has served before, we extend our heartfelt thanks for the time and effort he put into making Cascades a better community for all of its owners. We really appreciated your endeavors and wise counsel.

Last but by no means least, our most sincere appreciation to those who gave up so much of their time to count the votes during the meeting recess so that we could announce the result without delay. Theirs is an invaluable service to the community, more so this year as it necessitated missing the social hour. Space does not permit to record here all the names but, believe me when I say that these folks did a wonderful job in quick time.

Talking of time, we were able to conduct the regular Board meeting, the Annual Meeting, the vote counts (ballots and Resale Capital Contribution) and the social break all within the space of one and a half hours. Now that's pretty good going and is a tribute to those who conducted the meetings and counts and those who attended the evening, some 120 in all.

I look forward to seeing all of you again next year.
Tony Dumas, Community Association Manager



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Saturday, March 12th

\$25.00 per person

Open 6:30 P.M. Dinner at 7:00 P.M.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW! until the event is sold out or until March 9th, whichever comes first

Dinner Menu

Choice of Corned Beef or Ham

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**MARINERS BALL at PINK SHELL RESORT
JANUARY 29th, 2011**

article submitted by Carmel Vaillancourt ~ photos submitted by Wally Lennox

The Mariners Club first event of 2011 was an outstanding success. Fifty four members thoroughly enjoyed themselves at the elegant Pink Shell Resort in Fort Myers. This is our only formal event and all the ladies were beautiful and the men handsome.

Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres were served poolside as the sun set over Sanibel Island. A scrumptious dinner was held in the beautifully decorated ballroom. Cookies in the shape of a sailboat were a special treat. The Manhattan Connection kept people dancing until it was time to go.

Several couples took advantage of special room rates and stayed overnight. All the rooms have balconies and overlook the gulf.

Thanks to all the members of our club for making the past year such a special one.





...and a few more pictures of the Mariners Ball at the Pink Shell Resort...



...and a wonderful time was had by all!!!...

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Please check out the new USA Weather link on our Cascades website before a trip. Place your cursor over the city for temperatures, wind speed, conditions, etc. Then click the cursor for even more detailed data.

The Information Center Committee is still having e-mail address problems when sending the mass Courier e-mails. Please correct, change or delete your e-mail address supplied to the Management Company when you moved into Cascades. The Courier e-mails are a very useful vehicle for disseminating info to the Cascades residents 24/7.

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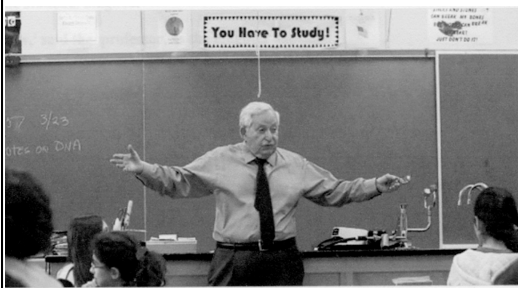
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“The Mayonnaise Jar”

submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

*When things in your life seem almost too much to handle,
When 24 hours in a day is not enough,
Remember the Mayonnaise Jar & 2 cups of coffee.*

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and filled it with golf balls.

He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured it into the jar, he shook the jar lightly and the pebbles moved into the open area between the balls.

He asked the students again if the jar was full, they agreed.

The professor picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar.

The sand filled up everything else, the professor asked again is it full. They agreed yes.

The professor then produced 2 cups of coffee from under the table and poured it into the jar.

It filled the jar even more. The students laughed.

The professor said “Now, I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life.”

The golf balls are the important things in your life...God, family, children, health, and friends.

Things that if everything else was lost, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the things that matter like your job, house and car.

The sand is everything else...the small stuff.

If you put the sand into the jar first, there would no room for the pebbles or golf balls.

The same goes for life.

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have time in your life for the things that are important to you.

Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.

Play with your children and take time for medical checkups.

Take your spouse out to dinner, there will always be time to clean the house or fix the dripping tap.

Set your priorities, the rest is just sand.

One of his students raised his hand and asked what the coffee was for?

The professor smiled and said, “I’m glad you asked.”

It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there’s always room for a cup of coffee with a friend!




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THE CASCADES CHORUS

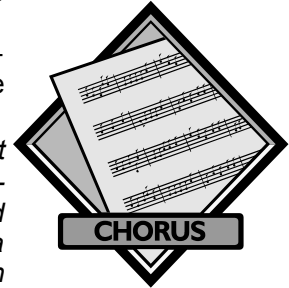
submitted by Mary Carvahlo

Sing, Sing a Song is the motto of our Cascades Chorus. The Cascades Chorus is a group of residents who enjoy music and singing. Our goal is to support the Cascades Community. New Members are always welcome. Rehearsals are on Thursdays in the Craft Room at 9:45 am. We welcome one and all. If you enjoy music, singing or play an instrument come and have fun. We have Rich Dittus from Our Lady of Light as our Musical Director. Our chorus has come a long way under his direction.

Our Yard Sale was a success. We thank all of you who supported us by donating or purchasing items. They say it takes a village and we certainly have one here at the Cascades.

***We are planning for our next Free Spring Concert on Saturday, April 9th at 7:30 pm in the Cascades Ballroom. Doors will open at 5:30 pm . Bring whatever you would like to eat or drink. Ice will be provided. Our program will be filled with show tunes and some surprises. We encourage everyone to join us for a fun evening. We will also have music by the Cascades Virtual Band and John Piccolo for dancing and your enjoyment.*

**** Please note additional info on page 21 under the Subway logo!!!**



FOR THE THINKERS

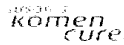
submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

These are questions for the people that want a challenge:

1. Name the one sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends.
2. What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward?
3. Of all vegetables, only two can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year.
4. What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
5. In many liquor stores, you can buy peach brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. The pear is whole and ripe and the bottle is genuine. How did the pear get inside the bottle?
6. Only three words in standard English begin with the letters "dw" and they are all common words. Name two of them.
7. There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar. Can you name half of them?
8. Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked or in any other form except fresh.
9. Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet beginning with the letter "S"

Answers to this Quiz:

1. Boxing
2. Niagara Falls...The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.
3. Asparagus and rhubarb
4. Strawberry
5. The bottles are placed over the pear buds when they are small, and they are wired in place on the tree. The bottle is left on during the whole growing process and snipped off at the stem when ripe.
6. Dwarf, dwell and dwindle
7. Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation mark, brackets, parenthesis, braces and ellipses.
8. Lettuce
9. Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stocking and stilts.



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Team Captain is Suzan Eisenberg 498-1829

Team Co captain is Nancy Lopez 338-8268



DANCE

Bring your subway sandwich, or one from home, and eat and dance to the Cascades Virtual Band.

The band plays requests from previous engagements. That's 40's and 50's music with some line dances and rock.

The band will perform before and after the the Cascades Chorus show April 9th. See ad this gazette.

Please do not bring food that needs the facilities of the kitchen. Doors open 5:30.

****Please note additional info on page 20 regarding this fun event!**



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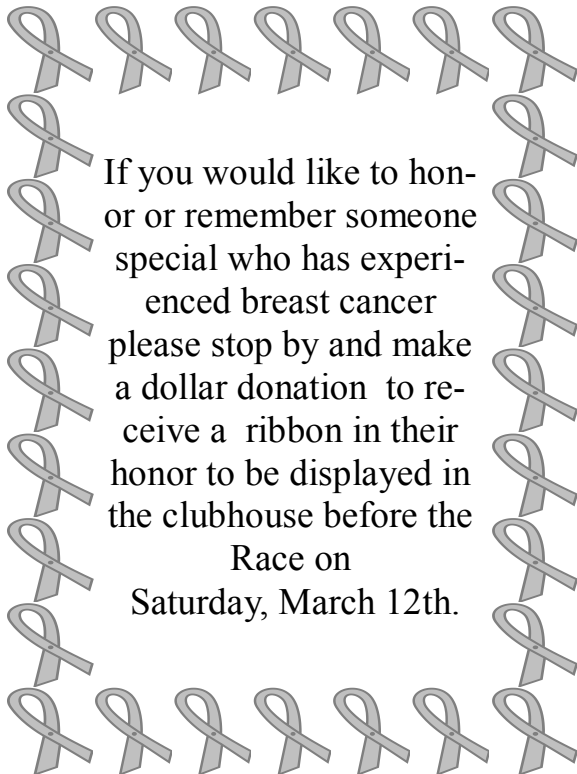
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Race on
Saturday, March 12th.



We would like to send a "Big Thank You" to all our friends and neighbors, especially to Dohn Beard who found Alphee and helped getting him some assistance. All the cards, phone calls and visits since his quadruple bypass are most appreciated. He is coming along very well and we are looking for a complete recovery. You may see him and David on the "Bench" but he will be the one without the cigar! Living in the Cascades with so many wonderful people is such a plus. We wouldn't be anywhere else!

Alphee and Judy Lefebvre

Valentines Day 2011

submitted by John Piccolo

We had our fourth yearly elegant celebration, the Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance. The table settings were in the traditional valentine colors. There was a rose for each lady and candies for each gentleman.

The entertainment was Soli and Andre. Soli has an amazing voice and walks amongst the guests for some of her songs. This is the second time I remember the duo playing here and would welcome many returns.

The food was very good. You could have either chicken, beef, or both. The dishes were cleared by the caterer. Suzi provided stuffed cup cakes for desert. All and all a good job by Suzi and everyone had a great time.





AS THE RAIN STAYS AWAY & THE WEATHER WARMS UP

submitted by Rick & Richard, Dakota Landscaping & Design

As all of you are aware, we are experiencing a very dry period right now. This results in a significant deficit in the amount of moisture in the soil. This, together with the warm weather that has arrived (at long last!!), could cause conditions that may place stress on sod and some plants within the community. Please be assured that this is not at all due to an irrigation problem. We are conducting regular system 'Wet Checks' and attending to Work Orders promptly. However, owners should be aware that a prolonged heavy rain regime that would wipe out the long-term rainfall deficits is unlikely. We will be constantly monitoring the situation so owners are more than welcome to report concerns to the office.

On a general note, if your sprinklers come on and run for about 5 minutes, it doesn't mean that they are malfunctioning. It is just that a 'Wet Check' is being done to ensure that heads are working properly when the system is operating on your property.

Today is the tomorrow you looked forward to yesterday..

Cooking Demo

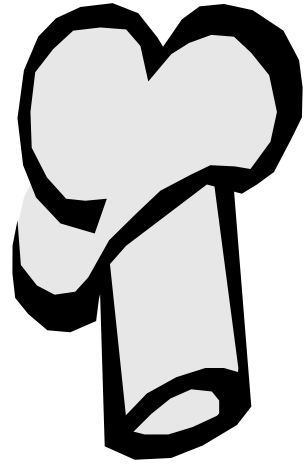
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See Suzi

Coffee & Cookies after the show.

BOCCE BRUNCH

submitted by Veronica Murphy ~ pictures by Naomi Gibbs

After their Bocce games at the Courts, on a bright Sunday morning, over eighty Bocce members advanced to the Clubhouse for brunch. Using a Valentine theme, the Rose and Paul Giacchetti team, introduced a wholesome addition to the Bocce Brunch menu with their delicious Porridge along with excellent tables of breakfast treats. Dennis & Joanne Filipowicz, Rich & Cindy Passera, John & Mary Ronchetti, Maurice & Mary Van Horren and Gil & Liz Velez completed the host team.

Mark your calendar for the next Bocce Brunch scheduled on March 20. Come join the gang.



Happenstance

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Dear Readers,

The Cascades Bookworms' selection for March is "Time Is the River" by Mary Alice Monroe.

Mia Landan, a cancer survivor, returns home from a fly-fishing trip to find her husband unfaithful. She returns to the mountains, and her fly-fishing instructor and friend, offers her to stay at his deceased grandmother's cabin. The grandmother, Kate Walkins, was accused of killing her lover. Mia feels a sense of mystery in the cabin. She discovers Kate's journals and is inspired by her words of wisdom comparing life to a river. Despite warning, she desires to solve the mystery. The ending is a transforming healing not only for Mia but also Kate's descendants and the community.

The discussion for the book will be held on Thursday, March 24th at 7:00 PM in the Media Room.

As always, new members are most welcome.

Pat Beausoleil ~ 239-495-1807



AN ITALIAN WEDDING COMEDY STYLE

submitted by Bob McDowell - photos by Joe Geoffroy

On Friday night, February 4th our ballroom was magically transformed into *CASA CASCADIA*, a magical Italian Wedding Hall ideally suited for the marriage of Maria Tarrantino to Joey Gnocchi. It was done exactly as the famous Tony and Tina comedy weddings made so famous in both New York and Chicago. Most of the cast of 13 looked as though they were right off the set of Jersey Shore. The comedy was simple slap stick as when the priest officiating at the ceremony, Pastor Fasulla, asked Joey if he would allow Maria to use his Cadillac after they were married. Joey had to huddle up and confer with his groomsmen before answering the priest by saying, "I don't think so Father she just got a new DUI. Maria quickly corrected him by informing him that it was in fact a new IUD. When Joey raises the brides skirt to claim the garter after some fumbling out comes a shiny black pistol instead!

The wedding was attended by some of the most prominent families from up and down the East Coast. The Napolitanos of New York, the Oliveris from Connecticut, the Spallones of Miami, the Jandolis of New Jersey, even the Falcoas from Rhode Island.

Apparently a photographer had been hired but unbeknownst to the wedding party their photog was secretly replaced by the famous criminologist/ photographer Giuseppe Geoffroy. As the wedding party mugged for the camera little did they know the truth.

After the wedding ceremony the reception really got going and our residents were invited up to dance with the wedding party. At one point an unsuspecting resident was tapped on the back and told "just follow me" Once behind stage he was given some props and told that he would play the godfather, Don Zitti. They even provided 14 "LARGE" as a wedding gift. The Godfather's ring was dutifully kissed by many. He was then asked to keep in costume for a sinister ending.

The comedy's producer Darlyne Franklin later told Suzi that our residents really made for a better show with their eager participation. Do we ever fail to "party hardy?" As always Suzi did a magnificent job of decorating and the Italian food was actually quite good.

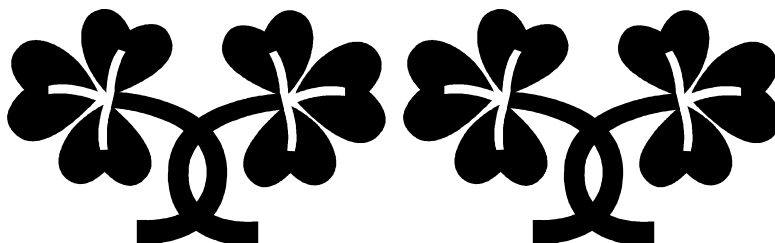
Near the end of the show it was discovered that the wedding gift money had been stolen and of course an Irishman was suspected. The wedding party roamed the room until the thief played, by resident George Gendron, was identified and as the theme from The Godfather played the actual Godfather dealt the "Kiss of Death". The thief was then escorted back stage where some noise and flashes of light indicated that he would not get to witness the end of the wedding.

I discovered some cast notes that you might find interesting. The male vocalist was Mike Palumbo who in real life is married to the girl who played the part of the "pregnant girlfriend" The female vocalist who sang "I Will Survive" which some thought was lip-synced was sung live by Lucy Viola. Absolutely great!!!

After the show I had a chance to talk to Uncle Vinny, played by Vinny Pinto. He told me that most in the cast have a full time job and that in season they perform the wedding almost every night somewhere in Southwest Fla. He also told me that for two years he played Uncle Vinny as part of the Chicago cast.

It was a wonderful night of great acting and fun. The room was packed to capacity. Great job Suzi! If you ever hear that Maria is divorcing Joey I am sure that I speak for all in attendance when I say "Let's have the Divorce Party right back here at *CASA CASCADIA!!!*

.....pictures start on page 31



By Invitation Only

Article by Sandy Geoffroy

Official Wedding Photographer, Joe Geoffroy

On February 4th, I was taken back 45 years ago. My next door neighbor and best girlfriends were Italian. Their last name was Capone, so you could only imagine.

My girlfriends weddings started on Thursday and didn't end until some time late Sunday night. Anyone that went to a Italian wedding in those days relived it last night. The crazy mother, father and grandmother, the dueling bride and groom, lots of food, cleavage, fishnet stockings, wigs, chewing gum, great music and at "Joey & Maria's" wedding all the way from Sicily, a guest appearance by Don Ziti, played by Bob McDowell. The night started with introductions and "That's Amore" quickly got the Cascades Familia to it's feet. The night was Hot, Hot, Hot.... Thanks for the Memories!



....more pictures next page



MARINERS CLUB OF ESTERO

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BACK ON THE BUS TO PALM BEACH GARDENS SCENIC ROUTE. WE WILL SEE THE BREAKERS, MILLIONAIRE MILE, AND TOUR THE FLAGLER MUSEUM - A 75 ROOM MANSION OF EUROPEAN SPLENDOR ON THE EAST COAST. WE WILL THEN STOP AT THE POMPAÑO LIGHTHOUSE.

THEN ONTO DINNER [TO BE DETERMINED] ON YOUR OWN. AFTER, WE WILL CHECK INTO OUR "HOME FOR THE NIGHT" AT THE COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT IN CYPRESS CREEK

MARCH 26TH, SATURDAY

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LUNCH WILL BE ON YOUR OWN. LAS OLAS HAS MANY RESTAURANTS TO CHOOSE FROM. WE WILL BE HERE ABOUT 2 HOURS

THEN ON TO DUCK DIVA SIGHTSEEING TOUR ON LAND AND SEA. FULLY NARRATED, YOU WILL SEE MANY EXCITING THINGS OF THE RICH AND FAMOUS. THIS TRIP TAKES 75 MINUTES AND IT IS A FUN TRIP.

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CASCADES VS. CARLTON LAKES

Our annual grudge match with Carlton Lakes took place on Thursday, February 3rd, 2011. I think the Bocce Gods allowed us to have a perfect day to play Bocce. It was a great day weather wise...we could not have asked for better weather. Perhaps those Bocce Gods were trying to ease our pain of past battles that we were unsuccessful in winning against these highly competitive teams. Cascades had nine (9) teams as well as Carlton Lakes. Seventy-two players converged at our Bocce courts. We shook hands and began with our cordial hellos and best of luck. However, knowing our past-history, we knew it was going to be tough after all Carlton Lakes Bocce players always play to win and seldom do they lose. Being an optimist, I still had my fingers crossed, my rabbit's foot in my pocket and I repeated several times, to myself, *we have to win this year*. It was time to start the games. Our first team entered the courts and played to win. They were successful in winning the first game against Carlton Lakes. Our score was 12-2. Team 2 entered the Bocce courts; again, they too played to win. Unfortunately, they lost 12-5. I could hardly believe my eyes when I glanced at the score. Team 3 entered the courts and played hard as well. They too were successful. Their score was 12-8. Cascades still had to play seven more games. Could we maintain our strategy and good playing? Our players seemed more confident and they wanted to win. As team four and five began their games they too wanted to win. You could see it in their moves and the concentration they displayed. Team 4 lost 12-2. Team 5 won 12-6. Already, five games played and five more to go. Cascades could not believe we had 3 wins out of 5 games so far. Could we maintain this lucky streak? Then I reminded myself that this was not luck at all. Cascades players out smarted and out played these players at their own game. Team 6 lost 12-6. Team 7 lost 12-8. As Team 8 stepped onto the Bocce Courts they were determined to win and that they did 12-9. Team 9 was not giving up easy either they played well and won 12-5. Team 10 was waiting patiently to play and they could not get on the courts fast enough. Once on the courts they showed no mercy. They won their game 12-4. What an amazing day. Carlton Lakes remained in a State of Shock. Cascades tried to eliminate some of the pain by treating Carlton Lakes to a great lunch. Everyone from both communities remarked that this was the best tournament yet. We may have beaten Carlton Lakes at Bocce this time but they won two of our three 50/50s. Carlton Lakes look out in 2012. WE ARE COMING TO WIN!

Subject: Wasp Spray*

I know some of you own GUNS but this is something to think about...

**If you don't have a gun, here's a more humane way to wreck someone's evil plans for you. Did you know this? I didn't. I never really thought of it before. I guess I can get rid of the baseball bat. **

Wasp Spray**-** A friend who is a receptionist in a church in a high risk area was concerned about someone coming into the office on Monday to rob them when they were counting the collection. She asked the local police department about using pepper spray and they recommended to her that she get a can of wasp spray instead. ** **

**The wasp spray, they told her, can shoot up to twenty feet away and is a lot more accurate, while with the pepper spray, they have to get too close to you and could overpower you. The wasp spray temporarily blinds an attacker until they get to the hospital for an antidote. She keeps a can on her desk in the office and it doesn't attract attention from people like a can of pepper spray would. She also keeps one nearby at home for home protection. Thought this was interesting and might be of use. **

On the heels of a break in and beating that left an elderly woman in Toledo dead, self defense experts have a tip that could save your life.

A teacher that teaches self-defense to students suggested putting a can of wasp and hornet spray near your door or bed.. "This is better than anything I can teach them."

The teacher considers it inexpensive, easy to find, and more effective than mace or pepper spray. The cans typically shoot 20 to 30 feet; so if someone tries to break into your home, he says "spray the culprit in the eyes". It's a tip he's given to students for decades.

It's also one he wants everyone to hear. If you're looking for protection, look to the spray. "That's going to give you a chance to call the police; maybe get out." Maybe even save a life.

Did you also know that wasp spray will kill a snake and a mouse as well as a wasp! Good to know!!!



It Was a Good Night

submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

The night started off with Phil Roccaro as the “Crazy Hat “ person and ending with Lois Oliveri winning the full card and \$140.00. Congratulations! The next Bingo is scheduled for March 13th. Also during the evening I introduced my granddaughter, Emily. On April 10th she and a few good friends are walking for the National MS Society. Emily’s mom was diagnosed with MS a few years ago, so this cause is close to us. Through the generosity of those attending Bingo, Emily collected \$84.00. Anyone interested in donating can call Sandy Geoffroy at 992-5499, any amount is appreciated.



NEWS FROM THE COURTS

SUBMITTED BY JOYCE HAAS

The courts are busier than ever. Cascades has five teams playing in the Bonita League. Two Ladies teams, 2.5 and 3.0. The Gentlemen have three teams, 2.5, 3.0 and 3.5. The Winter League is tougher, but we are holding our own. All residents are encouraged to come and watch the home matches. Check the tennis bulletin board for details.

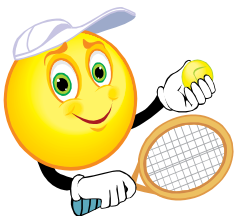
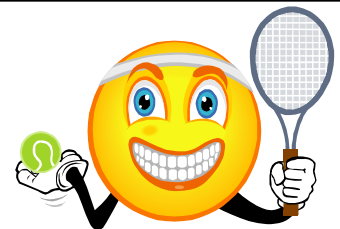
If you haven’t already done so, mark your calendars for the mixed doubles exhibition here at Cascades on March 9th, at 4:30 PM. Expect excellent tennis as usual. Refreshments also will be available.

A Mixed Doubles Mixer is scheduled for April 1st. Check the tennis bulletin board for further details.

On April 2nd, 2011, the Second Annual Tennis Party will be held. Plans are in the making, and I am looking forward to a wonderful party. I missed it last year as I was out of town, but hope to attend this year. Flyers will be posted on various bulletin boards soon with all the details.

During mid February a sign-up sheet for volunteers for the Tennis Committee was posted on the tennis bulletin board and will remain for some time, but I don’t know the exact length.

All are encouraged to read and sign-up if you so desire. The terms of four members will be ending soon. If more information is desired, check with RuthMarie Hackney at 498-6269, or Shawn at 948-5287.



St. Patrick's Day Irish Trivia

submitted by Sandy Geoffroy

May the "Luck of the Irish" be with you!

1. Was St. Patrick Irish?
2. St. Patrick changed Ireland's national color to green?
3. What is Ireland's nickname?
4. A leprechaun is really an Irish what?
5. Michael Flatley popularized what type of Irish dance step?
6. Kissing the Blarney Stone is suppose to give you what?
7. A whiskey made from potatoes is called?
8. The first St. Patrick's Day parade and celebration was in this city?
9. What is a shillelagh?
10. The Irish are said to have brought this breakfast to America?
11. A type of highway intersection is named after what Irish plant?
12. "Erin go Bragh" means this in Irish
13. Which two rivers in the U. S. are dyed green on St. Patrick's Day?
14. The Celtic Cross has a circle in the center. What does it represent?
15. In 1997, this became legal in Ireland?
16. A lot of Irish names begin with "Mac" which means what?
17. Many other Irish names start with "O" which means?
18. What was St. Patrick's real name?
19. If you don't wear green on St. Patrick's Day, what would an Irish child do to you?
20. According to the Irish, what is customary to do at a wake?

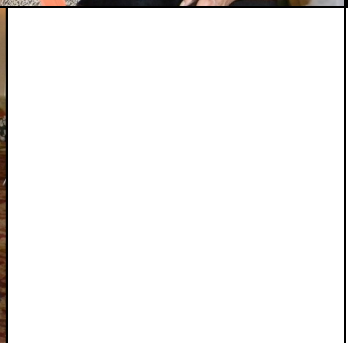
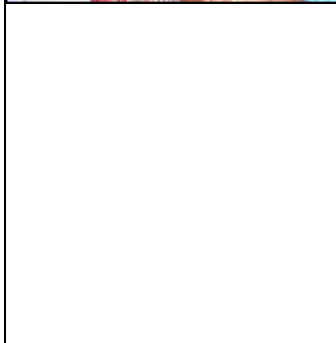
Answers to the trivia.....

1. True...His father was Italian and his mother was Scottish. He was born in Scotland.
2. False. During St. Patrick's time the national color was blue. It was changed to green in the 19th century.
3. Emerald Isle is the most common but it is also called The Old Sod, Four Green Fields and The Bower.
4. Shoemaker
5. Step dancing
6. Give you the gift of gab and remove shyness
7. Poteen
8. In Boston in 1737
9. It is a big walking stick
10. Oatmeal
11. Cloverleaf
12. Ireland Forever
13. The Chicago and San Antonio Rivers
14. The Sun
15. Divorcing
16. "Mac" means the son of
17. "O" means grandson of
18. Maewyn Succat
19. You would get pinched
20. Sing and celebrate life

*From the Gazette Staff
Congratulations to the newly elected
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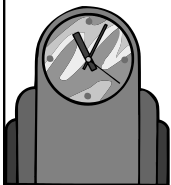
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*Set clocks ahead one hour
On
Sunday, March 13th*

Mariners Club April Event

Saturday, April 23rd

Departure: 1:00 p.m.

1-1/2 Hour Tour

\$52.00 per person

*Sanibel & Captiva Islands most exciting boat tour.
A beautiful, new, fast, safe, diesel powered, 55
foot motor yacht piloted by a marine officer.*

*We will cruise the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and
Pine Island Sound, navigating around the shores of
both Sanibel and Captiva Islands. During the
narrated tour and dolphin watch, you will be amazed
to see that even the dolphins are thrilled with the
Sanibel Thriller.*

The boats holds 45 people.

*Boats leaves Sanibel Marina, Home of
Gramma Dot's Seaside Saloon
634 Yachtsman Drive, Sanibel Island*

*Upon our return, we will stop for a late lunch at
Gramma Dot's.*

Lunch is not included in the price.

*Please let us know if you will be joining us for lunch
in order for us to make reservations.*

*Please get checks to Carol Hagan by March 23rd if
you are planning to go to this event so we can reserve
the boat.*

Hostesses: Two Carols, A Bunny & A Carmel



The Ball Machine Club

Do you want to fine tune your tennis game? Sign up to use the ball machine. The FEE SCHEDULE is as follows:

- 1) \$125.00 yearly membership fee per multiple user household
- 2) \$100.00 yearly membership fee per single user household
- 3) \$25.00 monthly user fee, non-member
- 4) \$10.00 hourly user fee, non-member.

After each member has paid yearly membership fees for two years, the yearly fee in the third year shall be \$35.00 per multiple user household and \$25.00 per single user household.

Contact Ed Kaliner, Jan Kubunski, or Linda Wruck.

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submitted by Veronica Murphy ~ Pictures by Dave Miska

WHAT A LOVELY BUNCH OF COCONUTS. Kudos to the Kathy & Dudley Alsop team with Jean & Doug Donati, Jan & Rick Lehner, Joe & Phyllis Pantaleo, Paul Sullivan, Mike & Veronica Murphy and the host of helpers. Under Florida's beautiful sky, over a hundred gathered to enjoy an evening that started at 5pm by the pool with photos of couples taken by Dave Miska. When the men came out in their grass skirts and coconuts, carrying those trays of hor d'oeuvres, a roar of laughter emerged from the group. This set the tone for an evening of good food, dance, and camaraderie.

WASN'T IT A PARTY!!







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March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Remember When tickets go on sale! <i>Elder Law Presentation 2 pm</i>	2	3	4 <i>Team Trivia 7:30 - 9 pm</i>	5
6	7	8 <i>BOD WORKSHOP 1pm</i> <i>Men's Club 6 pm</i>	9 <i>Mixed Doubles Tennis Exhibition 4:30pm</i>	10	11	12 <i>Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure St. Patty's Day Party 6 pm</i>
13 <i>BINGO 6:30PM Craft-room Set Clocks Ahead 1 hour</i> 	14	15	16 <i>Happy Hour In the Foyer 5 - 7 pm</i>	17 <i>St. Patty's Day</i> 	18 <i>Karaoke With Cindy 6pm</i>	19 <i>Cascades Community Yard Sale 8am</i>
20 <i>Bocce Brunch</i>	21	22 <i>BOD Meeting 6:30 pm</i>	23 <i>Bed Bug Seminar 4pm</i>	24 <i>Cascades Bookworms 7 pm</i>	25 <i>Mariner's Palm Beach Trip</i>	26
27	28	29	30 <i>CWC Mardi Gras</i>	31 <i>King of Diamonds CONCERT Doors open 7:30pm Show starts 8 pm</i>	Introduction of Tennis On the 2nd Saturday Of each month Contact Shawn at 948-5287	

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Introduction of Tennis on the 2nd Saturday of each month Contact Shawn at 948-5287				1 <i>April Fools Day</i> <i>Tennis-Mixed Double Mixers</i>	2 <i>Tennis Party 5pm</i>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 <i>Chorus Concert & "Subway" Dance 5:30pm</i>
10 <i>Bocce Brunch 11am</i> <i>BINGO (craft room) 6:30pm</i>	11	12 <i>BOD Workshop 1pm</i> <i>Men's Club 6pm</i>	13	14	15 <i>"Remember When"... 8pm</i>	16 <i>"Remember When"... 8pm</i>
17 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 	18	19 <i>1st day of Passover</i> 	20	21 <i>Happenstance Concert 7:30pm</i>	22 <i>Team Trivia 7:30~9pm</i> <i>Good Friday</i> 	23 <i>Mariners Sanibel boat Tour 1pm</i>
24 	25	26 <i>BOD Meeting 6:30pm</i>	27 <i>Women's Club Lunch & Installation of Officers noon</i>	28 <i>Bookworms 7pm</i>	29	30 <i>Cooking Class With Chef Martin 12noon</i>

