


December 2017



New Resident Club of Cape Coral





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MESSAGE FROM THE NRC PRESIDENT

Greetings from the NRC!

As the December general meeting kicks off, another year is nearing its end. 2017 was a rewarding year for the NRC and its activities. To mention a few.

- The Cardboard Boat Regatta. Our group spent hours building two ships for the event. The rewards were well earned as we won all categories except one.*
- The monthly dances. We had many good bands and fun times, capped off by the 50th celebration dance in October.*
- Sunset on the Beach and Cocktails on the Cape. Our members were introduced to several of the Cape Coral's prime restaurants.*
- Of course, though not an NRC event, who can forget our unwelcome visitor Irma! However, many NRC members relied upon each other during a challenging time.*

Welcome to all of the new members who joined NRC in 2017. I hope you are expanding your network and making many life-long friends. I encourage you to take advantage of the many activities that are offered. Some of my favorites are the dances, Cocktails on the Cape, Sunsets on the Beach and Pickleball, just to mention a few.

In signing off for 2017 I wish you and your family the best of the holiday season and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Rick Robison
President, Board 101



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

November 7, 2017 General Membership Meeting



The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am. In recognition of Veterans' Day, representatives from the Cape Coral chapter of Disabled American Veterans led us in the pledge of allegiance and the national anthem. President Robison welcomed potential new members to the club and reported that our newest group has chosen the name "Sea's the Days (or perhaps "Daze").

Last month the New Residents Club donated 357 pounds of food to the Cape Coral Caring Center. They are now in need of food donations for the holidays. Last year the NRC donated 100 turkeys but, since the center was damaged by hurricane Irma, instead of turkey donations they request \$10 Publix gift cards which will be placed in the holiday bags. Donations may be brought to any NRC event or delivered to the Caring Center at 4645 SE 15th Ave.

The October 50th Anniversary Dance was a huge success, attended by 330 members, guests and graduates. Profit from the silent auction was \$4,149. These funds will be used to make improvements to our website and update software. Thank you to all who participated. There is no November dinner dance. The December dance ("Winter Wonderland") will be on Friday, December 8th at 5:30 pm., *Personal Touch* is the caterer, beer and wine will be provided. *41 South* is the band. The deadline to sign up is Friday, 12/1/17.

A New Year's Eve dinner dance is sponsored by the Cape Coral Social Club.

Robin Rollinger invited participation in constructing the NRC's entry for the 2018 Cape Coral Cardboard Boat Regatta.

Pat Wood reported toys are being collected for the local Toys for Tots drive. The Cape Coral PD will be collecting toys in their police boat outside of Walmart from December 16th through the 18th, or toys can be brought to any NRC event and Pat will pick them up.

Nancy Cohen and Kim White gave a brief overview of this month's activities. All are listed in the newsletter.

Guest speakers Ron Price and Larry Tiller spoke about the role of the Cape Coral chapter of the Disabled American Veterans. This organization is dedicated to helping veterans in Cape Coral obtain benefits to which they are entitled. Located at the South West Military Museum, the Cape Coral DAV has helped 169 veterans so far in 2017. They reminded us of the Veterans Day Parade on November 11th.

Judy Morris presented minutes from the October meeting, and John Stevens presented the treasurer's report. Robert Pruiett introduced those interested in membership.

President Robison adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Guest Speakers for Upcoming Membership Meetings

December 5, 2017 - Detective Tim Galloway, Lee County Sheriff's Office, will discuss local crime threats and general safety precautions.

January 2, 2018 - Calendar Girls of Florida will perform on behalf of the Southeastern Guide Dogs.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Each year, Florida hosts more than 112 million visitors.
- 12% of our visitors are from overseas., another 3% from Canada, and 3% from Mexico and South America.
- Visitor spending in Florida exceeds \$100 BILLION each year. (That's more than \$11 MILLION each and every hour; or \$3,170 per second.)
- Total state and local tax revenue from tourism is over \$11 billion per year.
- In Lee County, tourism accounts for 20% of employment.
- Five million tourists visit Lee County annually, spending over \$3 billion.

OCTOBER 2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Activities Income	\$ 100
Dance Income	8,093
Raffle & Auction Inc.	4,563
Dues	1,395
Total Income	\$ 14,151

Activities Expenses	\$ 1,824
Dance Expense	7,747
Raffle Expense	106
Membership Expense	198
Meeting Expense	760
Admin & Misc.	2,133
Total Expenses	\$ 12,768

Ending Balance: \$ 13,854



NRC SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

BOWLING at BOWLAND



No signup is required
 Single players are welcome
 Beginners are encouraged
 Breakfast is available.
 Come join us for some casual fun and fellowship.

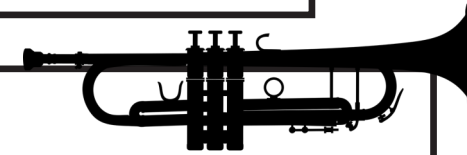
Every Thursday morning. Arrive at 9:15 am

Trivia Night

Friday evenings
 from 4-6 pm
 At Nemo's

COME JOIN OUR

JAZZ BAND



We're inviting NRC members & friends who would like to gather together to play/jam jazz to join the fun! We are relaxed and focused on exploring the music. This is not a high-pressure experience... come, jam, and have fun!

Contact **Bill Moulton**, 802-745-8631 or accbass62@gmail.com



Every Wednesday from 1-3 pm and 3-5 pm
 at Veterans Park, 4140 Coronado

No skill required! Play for free! The NRC has paid the court fees!

Open to all NRC members. Single players are always welcome.
 More info? Contact **Robin** at 239-541-7201 (fabartz@yahoo.com)

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Who says the Ladies' Luncheon is the premier event of the month? Join the NRC men at the House of Omelets 900 SW Pine Island Road, at 9 am every second Tuesday of the month for good food, good companionship, and good conversation.

Men's Breakfast is a long-standing tradition of the NRC, and provides the opportunity for an extra side of bacon.

Please come and join us — we have a seat reserved for you.

Contact your host, **Chris Weeks**, at 239-339-7015, cjweeks1234@gmail.com

For the New NRC Members who Joined in December... **YOU'RE INVITED!**

New Members' Social - December 11th

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Join us at the home of Diane Nelson to enjoy a snack and refreshment, while meeting other new members and some NRC Board members.



Please RSVP to Diane Nelson at dnelson4520@comcast.net or phone 920-229-4745

Also, look for your invitation from *Punchbowl* via email.

This is a fun way to get to know the group you will be forming, and to get answers to any questions that you may have.

These local businesses have been most generous in their contributions to the New Resident Club. Please patronize them and let them know we appreciate their support. To ensure their continued support, please redeem gift certificates or coupons promptly.

ELITE SUPPORTERS

Annie's Restaurant
814 SE 47th Street
239-945-3133

Anthony's on the Boulevard
1303 Del Prado Boulevard
239-257-2446

Bonefish Grill
900 SW Pine Island Road
239-574-1018

Bowland
42 Mid Cape Terrace
239-772-1661

Cape Cleaners
810 Cape Coral Parkway, E.
239-549-1740

Cape Coral Edible Arrangements
2301 Del Prado Blvd. Unit 690
239-574-3784

Creative Computer Solutions
4709 Coronado Parkway
239-541-5441

Chloe & Isabel by Regina
reginak1230@gmail.com
816-352-3068

Dolphin Express Car Wash
3826 Chiquita Blvd. South
239-541-9274

Downtowner Car Wash
1009 Del Prado Blvd South
239-772-2277

Dixie Roadhouse
1023 SE 47th Terrace
239-541-7900

Edward Jones—Brad Jessen
12016 Matlacha Blvd, Suite C
Matlacha Isles 239-283-2582

Fins Seafood & Dive Bar
3422 Del Prado S
239-984-5449

George's Complete Auto Repair
4804 Coronado Parkway
239-542-1588

GP Plumbing & Air Conditioning
jeremya@gppcorp.com
239-945-0126

Hair Look Salon by Monica
South Cape Plaza
4720 SE 15th Avenue
239-541-9951

Hooked Island Grill
4200 Pine Island Road NW
Matlacha 239-540-3463

Ice Ssscreamin'
520 Cape Coral Parkway E.
239-541-9100

Karma and Coconuts
1021 B Cape Coral Parkway E.
239-542-0424

Lenny's Grill & Subs
Coralwood, 2301 Del Prado
239-574-3360

Lumpy's Golf Store
11120 S Cleveland Avenue
Fort Myers 239-939-5235

Perk & Brew
1021 A Cape Coral Parkway E
239-542-6080

Point 57
3522 Del Prado Boulevard, S.
239-471-7785

Red Headed Witches
1910 Del Prado Boulevard S
239-573-6566

Scooter's Coffee
1014 Del Prado Boulevard S
239-673-9328

Sunshine Jewelers
1924 Del Prado Boulevard S
239-424-8176

The Dek
4704 SE 15th Avenue
239-542-3745



SUPPORTERS



Aji Limon Peruvian Café
4643 Coronado Parkway
239-205-6587

Avanti Salon & Day Spa
447 Cape Coral Pkwy East
239-984-5739

Back Streets Sports Bar & Pizzeria
915 SE 47th Terr.
239-945-7555

Beef "O" Brady's
2481 Del Prado N (239-573-6172)
3015 Pine Island Rd SW
239-283-9995

Mary McQuade, cabi stylist
www.marymcquade.cabioline.com
913-808-9903

Cape Coral House of Omelets
900 SW Pine Island Rd.
239-673-7545

Curves
1426 Cape Coral Parkway E
239-945-6161

Edison & Ford Winter Estates
2350 McGregor Blvd Fort Myers
239-334-7419

El Tarasco Restaurant
728 SW Pine Island Rd
239-673-6371

Envy Hair Salon- Jodi
1333 Cape Coral Pkwy East, #A
239-542-6303

Esterra Spa & Salon- Violetta
Tarpon Point Marina
5971 Silver King Boulevard
239-945-6689

Farmers Market-Cape Coral
Club Square Lot
Saturdays 8am-1pm

Fit + Fun
3818 Skyline Boulevard
239-309-5690

Flip Flops Consignment Shop
102 S. Cape Coral Parkway E
239-984-5515

Florida Everblades
11000 Everblades Parkway, Estero
239-948-7825 Ext. 1500
Mike Kelly SAE

House of Omelets
900 SW Pine Island Road
239-673-7545

Hana Japanese Steakhouse & Sushi
30 Hancock Bridge Parkway, #112
239-573-1228

KJ's Fresh Grill
10950 S. Cleveland Ave., Ft. Myers
239-275-4745

La Corte Courtyard Garden Bistro
1520 Lafayette Street
239-542-2224

Lobster Lady
1715 Cape Coral Parkway W
239-471-0136

Madd Hatter Men's Salon
730 SW 4th Street (behind Fosters Grill)
239-242-0410

Massage by Brenda
4829 Coronado Parkway (inside Amskin-care)
239-849-8068

Miceli's Restaurant
3930 Pine Island Road NW
239-282-8233

Monkey Bar
1428 Lafayette Street
239-549-8800

Orange Theory Fitness
11600 Gladiolus Drive, Unit 317
Fort Myers, 239-243-0730

Palmetto-Pine Country Club
1940 SW 9th Court
239-574-2141

Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria
814 E. Cape Coral Parkway
239-945-1700

Paradise Boat Rentals
3013 Del Prado Boulevard S
239-645-4217

Povia Paints
1020 NE Pine Island Road
239-458-5555

SBS Premium Meats
www.sbsmeats.com
402-262-0215

Shear Art Hair Studio
1103 Cape Coral Parkway E
239-257-3620

Soul Terra
www.soul-terra.com
888-557-SOUL

Stuff A Bagel
814 SW Pine Island Road
239-673-9405

Suellen's Floral Company
1545 Del Prado Boulevard
1-800-851-8832

The "O" Bar
304 Del Prado Boulevard S
239-673-9003

The Twisted Lobster
1341 Del Prado Boulevard #1
239-800-2879

Time To Eat
1311 Del Prado Boulevard
239-573-6360

Wicked Dolphin Rum
131 SW 3rd Place
239-242-5244

Yoga Fit
1715 Cape Coral Parkway W
239-443-4646 or 859-907-3290

Zirilli's Chilly Treats
814 SW Pine Island Road, #308
239-573-1590

OPPORTUNITIES FOR VOLUNTEERISM

Are you interested in becoming more involved in our community? Cape Coral and Lee County have many excellent charitable, non-profit, and civic organizations that are in need of volunteers. Here are a few that might match your interests and skills:

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) - Become more informed and better prepared to cope with a major disaster. CERT volunteers are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by participating in an eight-week class that provides instruction for taking an active role in emergency preparedness projects.

Contact Riley Tuff: rtuff@CapeCoral.net or call 239-242-3608

Lee Health Volunteer Services - Several types of volunteer opportunities are available at the five Lee Health facilities (Cape Coral Hospital, Lee Memorial Hospital, HealthPark Medical Center, Golisano Children's Hospital, and Gulf Coast Medical Center). Trolley service, clerical positions, gift shop, thrift shop, reception, and patient services are in need of assistance.

Contact Volunteers@LeeMemorial.org or call 239-424-4016

Rotary Park Environmental Center - Assist with nature trail clean-up and other environmental related projects here in the Cape.

Contact: CCPKS@CapeCoral.net or call 239-549-4606

Harry Chapin Food Bank - Located on Fowler Street in Fort Myers, this is the food warehouse serving Southwest Florida by providing food to pantries, soup kitchens, and other means of distribution to those in need. Volunteers are needed for product recovery, warehouse operations, administrative support, food and fund drives, and assistance with special events.

Contact: FightHunger@HarryChapinFoodBank or call 239-334-7007.

Ombudsman for Lee County - Volunteers are trained and certified to ensure residents of nursing homes and other care facilities are treated with dignity and respect. This involves visiting residents, participating in council meetings, preparing assessments and resolving complaints.

Contact: Ombudsman.myFlorida.com or call 888-831-0404.

The above are just a few of the many opportunities available. For more extensive lists of offerings, visit the following sites:

City of Cape Coral

www.capecoral.net/i_want_to1/volunteer.php#.WhGjMUqnGUI

VolunteerMatch

www.VolunteerMatch.com

Lee County

www.UnitedWayLee.org

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

Thursday, December 7th

Noon until 3 pm

Texas Roadhouse

8021 Dani Drive, Fort Myers

\$45 pp (\$50 credit card)

\$34 is a tax deductible donation

Limited to 25 participants



Join in the excitement and try your luck at winning a designer purse by Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Dooney & Burke, Coach, and more!

Proceeds help offset treatment costs for patients at the Regional Cancer Center.

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and play 18 lively rounds of bingo.

To sign up, call Kathy at 239-214-0819, or visit the Lee Health Foundation website, LeeHealthFoundation.org

COCKTAILS ON THE CAPE



Paradise Tiki Bar & Grill
1502 Mirimar Street

Wednesday, December 13th

5 - 8 pm

No cover charge or group cost. Simply pay for your own food and drink.

We will gather in the outdoor area where we can hear the live music but also be able to talk. Come join us for a casual evening of fun and fellowship. No sign-up, just show up.

CAPE CORAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY TOUR

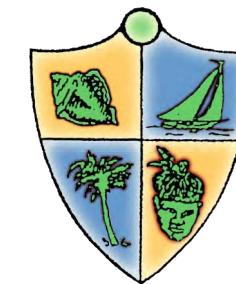
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

11:00 AM

CULTURAL PARK THEATER

528 CULTURAL PARK BLVD

\$5 PER PERSON



The Cape Coral Historical Society and Museum collect, protect, and exhibit the Cape's unique history.

We will start at the theater where we will be treated to a film on the history of Cape Coral. Then we will walk over to the Historical Museum for a tour.

Sign up at the monthly meeting or online at CapeCoralNewResident.org on/after December 5th. For more info, contact Nancy Cohen at CapeActivities@gmail.com.

“ ENVIRONMENT 101 ” LECTURE

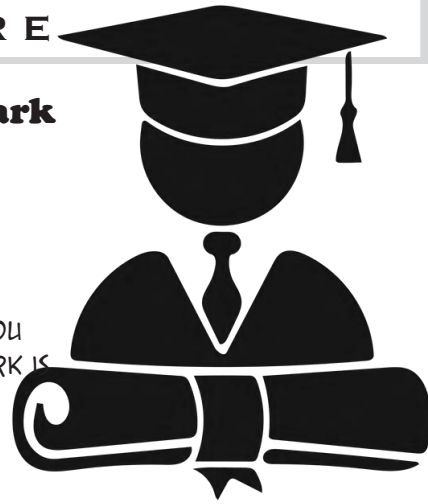
Monday, December 18th 10 am - Noon at Rotary Park

WE WILL BE ATTENDING A POPULAR TALK ON THE ENVIRONMENT OF CAPE CORAL, PRESENTED BY OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

THIS IS LIMITED TO 50 PARTICIPANTS. THERE IS NO COST - THIS IS FREE

LEARN ABOUT FLORIDA WILDLIFE, FERTILIZER ORDINANCES, SELECTING THE RIGHT PLANTS FOR THE RIGHT PLACE, NATIVE ANIMALS, AND OTHER HELPFUL INFO SO YOU CAN MAKE INFORMED, ECONOMICAL DECISIONS. A WALKING TOUR OF ROTARY PARK IS INCLUDED, AS IS A REFERENCE HANDBOOK.

Sign up at the monthly meeting or online at CapeCoralNewResident.org on/after December 5th. For more info, contact Nancy Cohen at CapeActivities@gmail.com.



HOW TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR AN ACTIVITY

Based on comments and suggestions from the membership, there has been a change to the NRC's reservation policy. New events will be introduced at the NRC monthly general membership meeting. Sign-up for the NRC-sponsored events will begin at the meeting. Online or emailed reservations will be accepted starting on the day of the meeting.

Also, reservations are not guaranteed until payment has been received or until a return email is sent verifying registration for the event.

SINGLES GROUP HOLIDAY PARTY

Calling all singles! This is the event you've been waiting for all year - the December Get-Together! Get ready for a fun evening with friends and a real, live Bluegrass Band. This duo will entertain you with Bluegrass, cowboy music, yodeling, and comedy. They may even explain why they're wearing those Hawaiian shirts in their album photo.

Sunday, December 17th

5:30 pm

Cape Harbor Clubhouse

1720 El Dorado Parkway W

\$10 cover for the band and clubhouse rental

As always, please bring a beverage and an appetizer or dessert

Be prepared for some pickin' and a-grinnin'"

And don't forget your Christmas cheer!



Pappy Mellon's Road Show

Make your reservation with Diana Simpson
dksimp2@comcast.net

DECEMBER DINNER DANCE

Winter Wonderland

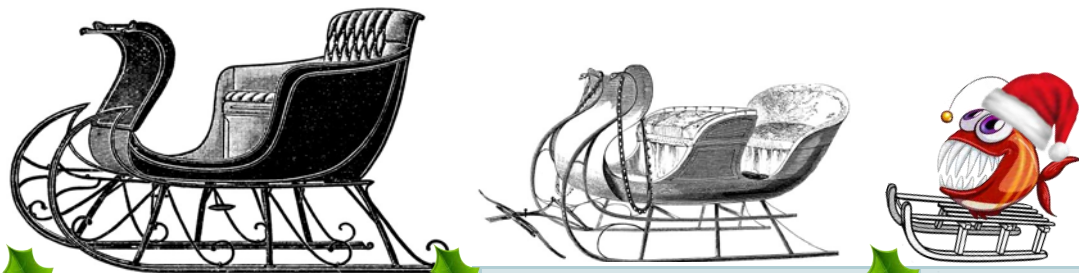
Friday, December 8th
5:30 until 10 pm
At the Yacht Club

Music by 41 South
Dinner catered by Personal Touch
Turkey, Ham, or a Vegetarian entrée
Side dishes and a tasty dessert
Spiked punch, wine, beer, water, soft drinks
BYOB if you'd like

❄️ Wear whatever you wish to spread holiday cheer - ugly holiday sweater or your pretty holiday dress! Doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner served at 6 pm, and the music starts at 6:30 pm. Singles table available. This dance will be an early sell-out, so sign up NOW!

\$25 per person. Sign up at the monthly membership meeting or online at: CapeCoralNewResident.com

For more info, contact Judy Desch, 816-809-2227, judydesch@gmail.com or Wendy Smith, 715-2222-9285, wendywu2@msn.com



DECEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					TRIVIA NIGHT 4-6 PM @ NEMO'S	2
3	4	5 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 9:15 AM @ YACHT CLUB	6 BOCCE 1-3 + 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK SUNSET CELEBRATION 7 PM @ YACHT CLUB	7 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND PURSE BINGO / LUNCHEON NOON @ TX ROADHOUSE	8 DINNER DANCE 5:30 PM @ YACHT CLUB	9 NATIONAL PASTRY DAY
10	11 NEW MEMBER SOCIAL 6:30 PM @ NELSON'S HOME	12 MEN'S BREAKFAST 9 AM @ HOUSE OF OMELETS HANUKKAH (ENDS ON DEC 20TH)	13 BOCCE 1-3 + 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK COCKTAILS ON THE CAPE 5 PM @ PARADISE TIKI BAR	14 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND CC HISTORICAL MUSEUM 11 AM @ CULTURAL PARK LADIES LUNCHEON NOON @ ANTHONY'S	15 TRIVIA NIGHT 4-6 PM @ NEMO'S	16 CAPE CORAL CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE DUSK @ BIMINI BASIN
17 SINGLES GET-TOGETHER 5:30 PM @ CAPE HARBOR CLUBHOUSE	18 "ENVIRONMENT 101" 10 AM @ ROTARY PARK	19 HOLIDAY LIGHTS TOUR 6 PM @ EDISON-FORD ESTATES	20 BLOOD DRIVE MORNING @ YACHT CLUB BOCCE 1-3 + 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK	21 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND	22 TRIVIA NIGHT 4-6 PM @ NEMO'S	23
24 NATIONAL EGG NOG DAY	25 CHRISTMAS	26 BOXING DAY	27 BOCCE 1-3 + 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK	28 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND	29 TRIVIA NIGHT 4-6 PM @ NEMO'S MINIATURE GOLF TBA	30 BACON DAY
31 NEW YEAR'S EVE CCSC DINNER DANCE 6 PM @ YACHT CLUB						

Ask Santa for a kayak for Christmas. (Don't forget a paddle and life vest)

Blood drive
Dec 20th
Call Barb Walter
239-541-9000 to reserve my donation time!

- Bread
- Onions
- Lettuce
- Single-malt scotch

Join the NRC's Pickleball Group.
Call Garry Chalmers for details.

DECEMBER LADIES' LUNCHEON

December Ladies Luncheon
 Wear your *Holly Jolly* festive holiday attire
 Thursday, December 14th, 12:00pm

Two lucky game winners will each win a
\$20 Anthony's on the Blvd.
 gift certificate donated by the restaurant!
 We will be collecting donations for canned goods and
 Toys for Tots (new and unwrapped).

Anthony's
on the Blvd
 1303 Del Prado Blvd South

Lunch Selections

- Turkey with all the trimmings
- Anthony's Famous Fish & Chips with Cole Slaw
- Boulevard Salad with dressing
 Fried pecan crusted chicken breast, diced tomatoes, red onion, strawberries, dried cranberries, mandarin oranges and bleu cheese crumbles served over mixed greens
- Shrimp stuffed tomato with toast points
 HOLLOWED-OUT tomato stuffed with shrimp salad served with toast points

Dessert

- Red Velvet Cake

Price

- Includes: soft drinks, tip & tax
- \$16 cash at the door, plus optional \$5 to enter the raffle and/or \$1 for the 50/50



Call, text, or email lunch selection by December 9th
 Anne Coleman: 401-829-1391 acole70174@aol.com
 Kim White: 386-299-7260 sleepyrobotkim@gmail.com



NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP, GOOD FOOD, AND WONDERFUL MUSIC. WE ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAPE CORAL SOCIAL CLUB'S NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE, AN ANNUAL EVENT THAT HAS BECOME A HIGHLIGHT OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON. YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SHARE THIS FESTIVE CAPE CORAL TRADITION.

Sunday, December 31, 2017

At the Yacht Club

Doors open at 6 pm

Seating will be tables of eight

Music by *Memory Makers* - a 16-piece band playing a wide variety of dance music

Dressy attire is suggested

Choice of entrée - Prime Rib, Chicken Francoise or Eggplant Rollatini.

All served with salad, dinner rolls, roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, dessert, and coffee

Champagne toast at Midnight

Bring your own bottle and mixers

Purchase your tickets early. This event will sell out. Tickets are \$50 per person (add \$1 if paying via credit card or PayPal). To purchase tickets contact Sandy Drelich at sdrelich09@gmail.com, 239-689-0848, pay at the Yacht Club or online at www.CapeCoralSocialClub.org.



NRC GROUP NEWS



Graduates

Reporter—Kathy Gable

The *Graduate Group* has been well-received; many have signed up to be included in the group.

Kathy Gable graciously volunteered to be the *Graduate Group* Coordinator, sending in monthly reports of Graduate activities for inclusion in the NRC Newsletter. Unfortunately, her home Internet connection is faulty and she isn't able to reliably send and receive email. This is a long-term problem that won't be resolved for at least the next few months.

A new coordinator is needed to take Kathy's place, either permanently or for the next few months. The *Graduate Group* Coordinator should be willing to gather information from other graduates for a monthly report for the newsletter, and also to assist in informing graduates of upcoming activities and events

The Coordinator will help create a *Graduate Group* identity and communicate with other graduates via email.

Perhaps the Graduate Group can initiate group activities (pot lucks, picnics, trips) just like the other NRC groups. The Coordinator would be the one to make those things happen.

In other words, the Coordinator coor-

dinates and reports, however best it can be done, according to what the group wants.

If you are willing to take on this role, please send an email to dsim239@gmail.com. This doesn't have to be a difficult job; it should be meaningful and satisfying.



Party Palms

November/December 2015

Reporters—Ted & Carolyn Clark

Its difficult to believe the *Party Palms* are graduating and how quickly the past two years have passed. I suspect that we look different from two years ago (not externally but internally) because of our association with our group and the NRC. We are positive we chose the correct association to join; one which provided us with new friendship opportunities, knowledge of our neighborhood, city and state and enormously interesting, educational and fun events.

We ended October with a big splash by attending the NRC Halloween and 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance that turned out to be - as expected - a fun-filled evening given the costume creativity of the group and the silent auction for which the *PPs* created a wonderful Bloody Mary party basket.

The next day, two tables of *Party Palms* climbed aboard the Halloween Mystery Train for a night of tasty food, costumes and murder mystery.

On Sunday, October 30th, we celebrated Bud Brouillette's birthday with a white linen brunch hosted by his wife at their home. Incidentally, Bud requested a retraction for the error posted in the last *PP* newsletter regarding his age however, because of my age, I can't remember what he wanted changed. Curses!

On November 4th, Ted and Carolyn Clark hosted a wine tasting at their

home. The appetizers and the white bean chili provided a perfect complement to the nine whites and eight reds we blind-tasted. The winners (Bobby and Charo's entry) surprised us all. Sometimes its not about the labels.

On the 5th, Val and Michael hosted a bunco party at their lovely home (ask them about their new piano bar) and it's always surprising the extent to which members go with their appetizers. Speaking of Bud and Rhonda, they've been busy this month traveling to visit friends in Atlanta.

On Veteran's Day a bunch of *Party Palms* gathered to watch and cheer at Cape Coral's Veterans Day parade. It was particularly moving for the vets in our group when children gave us hand-made cards thanking us for our service. The free beer all day at various restaurants/bars also contributed to a wonderful celebration. After the parade, the boys went on a tour of micro-breweries and the girls attended a jewelry accessory party at Rhonda's home.

Several of the *PPs* attended the NRC Men's Breakfast and again solved most of the world's problems. It's a very wise group.

On the 17th, a large group of *PPs* gathered at the home of Carol and Jack Forde to celebrate birthdays for the recently returned snow birds; Jack Forde, Kathy Conway, Matt, Abby and Gary Kuhn.

A few *PPs* were part of the NRC group tour of The Wicked Dolphin Rum distillery. It was interesting to learn about the distilling process and see a popular product being produced and bottled.

A group of *PPs* attended the Water-side Wine Club wine tasting with selections from the U.S., South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and South America.

On Thanksgiving Day, Party Patti hosted a specular feast for all the poor and homeless Party Palms in the Cape.

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The end of November included a celebration of Sherry Jeffrey's birthday at Moretti's Restaurant and a fun night at the Cape Cabaret to listen to the Del Prados and, of course, a graduation party to celebrate and reminisce over our two-year adventure.

Thank you, New Residents Club, for two wonderful, exciting years. We look forward to sharing future adventures with you as graduates.



No Egrets

January 2016

Reporter — Andy Davidson

The monthly Dinner Club met at Hana's Japanese Streak House and Sushi Lounge on November 16th. Thirteen *No Egrets* attended and had a wonderful time. A couple of the attendees partook in the chef's squirt bottle of Sake that he would share. Raise your hand and "just say when!" The group hung out long after dinner and enjoyed lots of laughter.

The ladies enjoyed Ladies Night Out at Cork Soakers with seven ladies attending. Lea's sister was visiting and joined in the fun. Meanwhile the guys met at Chicago Pizza and later gave the ladies a drive-by. It seems there was a full moon and it was not even dark yet. All met up at Andy and Lea's for some fire pit time by the canal. Good times for sure.

Raylene hosted a Tupperware party and Sandra did the demonstrations. It was also Nancy's birthday celebration. In addition, there was a party hosted by Raylene and Larry to say hello to friends who were in town for a visit. Ten were in attendance.

The *No Egrets Book Club* met at Jayne's for a delightful lunch and a rousing discussion of The Sisters Chase. Lori, Linda, Jayne, Raylene's, Juelene, Cate, and Susan all attended. December will be holiday brunch at Linda's and discussion of Still Life.

Nancy hosted a Halloween party with fourteen goblins attending. There were lots of ghoulish treats and great

food. The costumes included Dracula, his bride, witches, Richard Nixon, chief, pirate, super heroes, beetle, and a biker babe. Pun costumes in attendance were a "spice rack", "formal apology" and a "private eye".

Larry and Raylene hosted Thanksgiving dinner for thirteen *No Egrets* as well as Johnny's beautiful mother. A special Thanksgiving Day "Cosmo" was the hit of the day.

An updated events calendar is on our *No Egrets* Facebook page. Be sure to check it for details.

Up coming events include a December 9 Birthday party for youngster Jayne, a holiday party at Andy and Lea's home on the 16th, a *No Egrets* Orphans Christmas Dinner on the 25th, the January pot-luck on the 6th at Patrick and Sandra's, and the February pot-luck at Larry and Raylene's home on the 17th.



Leapin' Lizards

February 2016

Reporter — Nancy Serzan

No report this month.



Landsharks

March/April 2016

Reporter — Tammy Wilson

Since the beginning of our NRC journey, the *Land Sharks* have been attending trivia at Nemo's every Friday. It's always a fun atmosphere, so recently we decided to start celebrating birthdays there. Nemo's has been great about allowing us to bring in cakes, cupcakes, etc. So far we have celebrated birthdays for Kim White, Maddie Jennings, Todd Wilson, and Jim Bower. It's just another fun tradition for our group, along with our partners from *Margarita Madness* and friends Bob and Bonnie Dum.

Other NRC activities enjoyed by our group included Cocktails on the Cape at Hurricanes, the Eagles tribute at

Cape Cabaret, and the dinner dance.

Thanks to members Kim, Kathy and Amy for working on the gift basket for the auction.

We also attended the Sunset Celebration on November first. So glad these are back on the agenda.

Outside of the NRC, our group attended a Halloween Potluck hosted by Dennis and Maddie Jennings. Joe and Lorie Mominee are back in sunny Florida for the season, and they hosted an Amberjack fishing trip for the guys, as well as a pontoon boat trip for all of us on a beautiful "winter" day. A big thanks to Joe and Lori for helping us live the Florida lifestyle!



Margarita Madness

May/June 2016

Reporter — Emily Main

Bridgette Smith hosted the potluck this month at her home. I was not able to attend as I traveled up North to visit a sick sister. I continued to put on more clothes and felt like I was freezing to death. I was glad to get back home to warm weather.

Several of the *Margarita Madness* members prepared the food for November's NRC general membership meeting. That is an enormous task. Thinking of asking each group to do it for a month and then keep rotating.

It would be great if our *Margarita Madness* group could get together for a Mystery Train or other activity.

Let's all thank Kathie Chaney for her effort and time she put in as NRC President.



Paradise Parrots

July 2016

Reporter — Bridgette Bonatsos

The women all got together for a craft night at Michelle's and made Fall

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving."

...Albert Einstein

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wreaths. Since Lily was called out of town at the last minute, the ladies put one together for her. It was on her front door when she arrived home. What great friends we have!

The next craft will be Christmas hanging baskets, and we're having another cookie exchange at Michelle's this season. The last one was a huge success. The girls have been getting together for a weekly luncheon to catch up and plan all these fun activities.

The gang also had the October pot luck out on Matlacha, at the Sandy Hook with dessert served afterwards at Susan and John White's beautiful home. A half-dozen of the members are still taking ballroom dance lessons on Wednesdays and doing dinner together afterwards.

Nanci Mammana said farewell to her Maltese, who was 14 years old and anxious to cross that rainbow bridge.

Dennis is back home and fighting hard, with a great attitude. Larry had triple bypass on the 24th and at this writing is in heading back home from Healthpark Hospital in Ft. Myers.

Jim Fitz-Gerald attained Fellowcraft Degree at the Cape Coral Masonic Lodge and is currently studying hard for Master Mason.

This month we celebrated Jan, Janet,

Jim Smith, and Nancy Austin's Birthdays.

Lily spent a week in Massachusetts helping Jim's mother with details concerning long term nursing for her husband, and putting her house up for sale; Nancy Austin went to Texas to visit and celebrate her birthday with my lifelong friend, Lisa; Gary went to Nashville for their son's bachelor party; Bridgette and Mike flew to Philadelphia to see family, but will be back in time to host the 2nd monthly BUNCO game at their home on November 8th.

Quite a few *Parrots* enjoyed the roast pig and dance music at the 50th Anniversary dance. Our own Linda and Steve are passing the torch to new board members in November. Thank you both for doing such a great job!



Bad Buoy & Nauti Gulls

August 2016

Reporter — Michele McKay

Time is quickly running out for 2017, so it's important to fit in all the gatherings that we can manage to squeeze in. We've had gatherings for shopping, trivia, craft fairs, lunch, brunch, golf, and Thanksgiving at Mary and Angelo's house.

Coming up will be a Cookie Swap at Jennifer and Scott's, a Saint Nicholas Day party at Kathy and Joe's, and our December pot luck at Stella and Gene's, where we will also be having a little Christmas celebration. Our calendars are full and we wouldn't have it any other way.

The NRC November Ladies' Luncheon was different from the others we've attended because this one had GAMES and PRIZES! Now who doesn't enjoy playing a game with friends? There were gifts on each of the tables, gift bags and a fabulous selection of raffle items too. All the *Nauti Gulls* who went had a wonderful time, not to mention the food at Point 57 was delicious. Great job to Anne and Kim, this term's Ladies Luncheon Directors.

Thanksgiving dinner at Mary and Angelo's left all who went just raving about the delicious food contributed by everybody, and what a marvelous time they had. That's no wonder, Mary and Angelo are very gracious hosts and we are all very fortunate to call them our friends.

Big congratulations goes out to Kathy H.'s son, Brian, who will be receiving his Master's Degree in Education from the University of Pennsylvania. It's so wonderful that the ceremony will be held on Kathy's birthday. What a wonderful birthday gift!!

All of us *Bad Buoy & Nauti Gulls* wish all of you a wonderful holiday season filled with friends, family, faith, fun and food. And we'd like to thank the NRC for building such an awesome club for us to join and enjoy.



Twisted Turtles

September 2016

Reporter — Susan Gerraughty

November has been a quiet month for the *Turtles*. Nevertheless, there have been *Turtle* sightings here and there.

On the 16th we had our monthly Birthday Bash at the Blue Dog on Matlacha.

As has been the case far too often the

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last few months, *Turtles* continue to report for sick call. In addition to the usual early winter upper respiratory crud, we have some who are struggling with serious issues. Paul Hartman continues to receive specialized care in Tampa, Bob Farquhar is still working through mobility issues, and Will Victor has had enough interaction with his cardiac docs to produce a reality TV series. We wish them the very best, and the patience to stick with it.

On a happier note, several *Turtles* have traveled far and wide for Thanksgiving, and even more are planning trips for the December holidays.

Speaking of travel, Ted Strand, *Turtle Extraordinaire*, was in California last month, crewing on an ocean-going sailboat competing in a sailing rally to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico.



The Happy Owls

October 2016

Reporter — Sue Ford

Many of our snowbird *Owls* have begun to return, just in time to attend the first Sunset on the Beach since the hurricane. The sunset was spectacular, the music was terrific and the crowd was lively.

Along with bocce and bowling, trivia is a regular part of the weekly happenings. Some of our *Owls* have gotten the game bug and they've had fun learning new games.

Several *Owls* attended Cocktails on the Cape. The venue was a good choice; the food was great and the company even better.

Some *Lady Owl*s had fun at the Ladies Luncheon. Not only was the Luncheon fun, some *Owls* walked away with several raffle prizes!

It was a full house at the Halloween/NRC Anniversary Dance. The band was top-notch and the food

was very good. The band was so good in fact, that there were a lot of tired feet by the end of the night from all the dancing!

We will miss some *Owls* as they head in all directions for the holidays and we will be looking forward to their return.



The Get Goes

November 2016

Reporter — Laura Walsh

It was heartwarming to welcome back our seasonal *Get Goes* recently. We are back to our full schedule of activities! *Get Goes* were well represented at the 50th Anniversary Dance, and donated a wine and candy basket for the Silent Auction. Pam N. won the Dance Contest Trophy, a thrill for her and us!

Several *Get Goes* gathered for the November Sunset Celebration and later enjoyed subs at Laura and GP's home.

A large contingent of *Get Goes* enjoyed the Cape Cabaret "Temptations and Four Tops" show.

Denise A. hosted our monthly book club meeting, and agreed to organize a future monthly schedule and gathering locations.

Laura and GP hosted 37 *Get Goes* for a 'Welcome Back Snowbirds' potluck. Laura W. graciously offered to assume our leader role. Mary M. was recognized as our leader during our very successful first year. Pam N. and Sheila N. will serve as this year's News Reporters.

Following attendance by several *Get Goes* for a NRC pickle ball lesson, Melody and Greg (ace players) generously provided an instructional class for their fellow *Get Goes* - no doubt inspiring future pickle ball aces!

Get Goes occupied 3 tables at Cocktails on the Cape, a fun time had by all.

Ten *Get Goes* attended the Ladies Luncheon and everyone won a raffle prize!

Other News: Pam N. won an award for her 2001 GT Black Mustang Convertible at the "Fun in the Sun" car show at Fisherman's Village. Chris B. and John V. will be relocating to Kentucky in January - sending our best wishes and happiness with your new adventure. Happy Birthdays: John V. (13th), Dick O. (15th), Adrienne W. (30th)

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to ALL!



Sunsetters

December 2016

Reporter — Diane Nelson

The *Sunsetters* are so excited that many of our members are returning from the North. It has been great catching up on all the news from the last 6 months.

Congratulations to Debbie and Chris Christofferson on the birth of their new granddaughter.

Our ladies have enjoyed chatting over lunch at the Wisteria Tea Room and Point 57.

On November 18 we gathered at the magnificent home of John and Terry Stevens. Good food and company was had by all as we relaxed around the pool, fire pit, and tiki hut.

Congratulations to Jim and Sandi Biel who just celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary.

A belated "happy birthday" to Jim Biel, Russ Markley, Judy Heiser, Tracy Crawford, Don Pike, Terry Stevens, and Dale Posl.

Don't forget, you can catch up on all the *Sunsetters*' activities by logging on to our Facebook group page: CCNRC Sunsetters.

Q. I've noticed there are new groups being added to the NRC, like the Golfers and the Kayakers and the Book Club. What are the rules for joining?

A. These interest groups are open to anyone, current members or graduates, who would like to participate. Simply contact the group coordinator and join the fun. You can belong to as many groups as you'd like.

Q. I really enjoy biking, but there isn't a bicycle group in the NRC. Why not?

A. Only because nobody has stepped up to coordinate a bicycle group. If you're willing to be the coordinator, contact the NRC 1st Vice President.

Q. Why are old photographs always black and white? Why aren't they in color?

A. They ARE in color. It's just that the world only existed in black and white until the 1930's.

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Delican Briefs

January 2017
Reporter — Susan Oliver

We have had a fun month welcoming our snowbird friends back to Paradise. Linda and Doug Millinger, BJ and Drew Surovjak, Wendy and Dan Smith and Liz and Kevin Pooler all returned and attended various events.

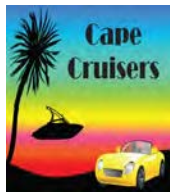
It is wonderful to begin the Sunsets on the Beach again, as it is one of our favorite events. We like it so much that several of us have started to have unofficial sunset gatherings with members of other groups. Fun conversation, snacks, wine and the sunsets have not disappointed!

The last dance was fantastic and we enjoyed the many silent auction offerings. We had a great turn out at the last Cocktails on the Cape also.

Julie Zeiher and Pete Harkovitch hosted a party for their dog Chanel's 5th birthday. Chanel is very talented and can open her own presents. She is not the slightest bit spoiled!

Many of our members are on the new board and very busy as a result.

Several of us are traveling during the holidays, some back north, others on vacation. Safe travels to all!



Cape Cruisers

February 2017
Reporter—Toni Hardesty

Greetings from the *Cape Cruisers*! Several *Cape Cruisers* had a great time partaking in Bunco night at Britt's home. Most of us were newbies and Britt was a great teacher. The jumping mullet fish in her canal were very relaxing and a nice addition to the evening.

Members of the group also cruised down to Cork Soakers for a Saturday lunch organized by Jan and Tom. It was a perfect day for sitting on the

deck and enjoying great company. Please help us in sending a very Happy Birthday to Sharyn (12/8) and Ellynn (12/29)!



Rock the Boat

March/April 2017
Reporter— Kathi Irvin

No report this month.



Dancing Dolphins

May/June 2017
Reporter—Corinne Rinaldi

Ron and Lena Smith's Pot Luck Dinner was a winner. Ron's special BBQ'd Chicken was enjoyed by all.

Bruce, Perri and Smitty graduated C.E.R.T. in November. Did you see Smitty sitting in the back seat of a police car?

Cori Rinaldi dropped into Fin's for Cocktails on the Cape

Kathy Kovach, Cliff and Ann Block will graduate in December from the Cape Coral Citizens Academy..

The *Lady Dolphins* are having a cookie making day on Monday, December 11th. There will be wine (which may or may not be a cookie ingredient). Be aware of the Snickerdoodles with caramel. Yummm!



Cape Corruptibles

July/August 2017
Reporter—Marty Franssen
Reporter—Corinne Rinaldi

The *Cape Corruptibles* were all treated to another great potluck at the home of Kenny and Ruth Locke. Several of the members were not able to attend, as they had travel plans, so

they missed a great time. Many in the group attended their first Sunset Celebration and also attended Cocktails on the Cape, and the November Dance. Needless to say, we all enjoy a reason to get together and to party!

Several of our *Corruptibles*, including Tom Jackson and Nora Hoover had surgery in November and are recovering fully.

The *Cape Corruptibles* are Thankful for the NRC and are looking forward to sharing the holiday season with new friends!



Seas the Days

September/October 2017
Reporter—Nancy Finnegan

No report this month.



“Yet-to-be Named”

November 2017
Reporter—Bunny McGee

At the November general meeting 39 new residents met and established an immediate rapport, and at Diane Nelson's home the following week we became better acquainted. Members of the group come to Cape Coral from many of the states lining both coasts and some in-between states. Club members have diverse backgrounds, but share the common goal: meeting people, having fun, and enjoying their lives in this tropical paradise.

Mary Juza has agreed to lead our group, with an assist from Karen Pelto, and I will be the club's recorder.

We look forward to our first group pot luck dinner to be held at Deborah and Duane Crisp's home on December 14. A big thank you to the Crisps for agreeing to host our first dinner. The agenda will include picking a club name, circulating a pot luck sign-up sheet and scheduling fun activities. Stay tuned...



Singles Group

Reporter — Diana Simpson

Another month has gone by? Really? Who has time to take a deep breath? Since my last report, several of us have participated in various *Singles* activities. A big "thank you" goes out to Susan Beaudry for hosting the monthly get together at her condo's clubhouse. Fun was had by all. Some of us even got into a raucous game of ping pong! (Sorry again, Jim). We are starting to meet twice a month for dinners out. It looks like lobster and rib specials are the main attractions.

Doggie dinners also draw a crowd. The Big Blue Brewery is most accommodating to our four legged friends. The servers seem to not mind the chaos created by our happy companions.

A few of us *Singles* were among those who attended the first meetings for NRC pickleball at Camelot Park. Thank you Gary for mainstreaming yet another activity for NRC members. If you are interested in playing, but couldn't make the meetings, you are still welcome!

Also, if you are interested in playing Mexican Train dominos, come by the Tony Rotino Senior Center any Tuesday, about 12:15 pm. It is easy to learn, and lots of fun!

And, if you don't have enough to do this holiday season, here are some December activities. Contact Dave Taggart at dtaggart40@gmail.com, if you would like to dance to the Goldtones at Cape Cabaret on December 22nd. Please contact Dave before December 18th to be included in the reservation. We already met for ribs at Stevie Tomatoes but, if you would like to dine at the Twisted Lobster on December 13th, please contact Donna Milbee at milbeed@ymail.com.

The NRC *Singles* Christmas party will be special this year! It will be held at the Cape Harbor Clubhouse on De-

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ember 17th. There will be a small \$10 charge to cover the cost of the Clubhouse and the live music provided by Pappy Mellon's Road Show. (More detail elsewhere in this newsletter.)

Keep your eye on the *Singles* Facebook group page to join in other goings on around town. If you would like to join the private Facebook Group, please contact me at dksimp2@comcast.net



The Golfers

Reporter — Gary Eldred

A group of us get together most Thursdays for a round of golf and a couple for cold ones at the 19th hole. We play all local courses in Fort Myers and Cape Coral.

As most of you know, as of November 1st all rates increase. There are some at reasonable rates.

We also play executive courses sometimes.

There is an NRC golf outing every Tuesday that is organized by Bev Cramer. They play nine holes at a very reasonable price of \$11.00. This would be good for the beginners as well as those who only want to play nine holes. Her email address is bvcramer@yahoo.com.

You can contact me to get on the list for other golfing adventures at geldred53@gmail.com.



Scooter Group

Reporter — Dennis Appel

We explore area neighborhoods, parks and beaches, with breaks for food and refreshments. Join us for a slower-paced journey through SWFL on two wheels.

Contact Dennis Appel, 734-476-8856, or appelden@yahoo.com



CC Riders

Reporter—Rick Wise

CC Ryders had an active October and November. We had a large attendance at our Nov 8th planning meeting/pot luck. 34 people attended and we had a BLAST!!!! We've had two rides, one to Bokelia for dinner to celebrate the birthday of the Marine Corps and the other to Lake Placid in Central Florida. The ride to Lake Placid had eight bikes and 11 people.

Bobby Irvin had an evening of music with *Jungle Juice* on November 18th.

We are now meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at a member's home for a planning meeting/pot luck. Lots of socializing, delicious food and then a general discussion of where we might ride during that month. Usually rides are planned well in advance and a *CC Ryder* member volunteers to lead the ride. We have both weekday and weekend rides.

The *Ladies of CC Ryder* generally have a monthly "ladies luncheon" and the guys just started meeting for breakfast each Monday morning at 9 am at Mel's Diner on Pine Island Road. Come join us for breakfast. Great fellowship throughout the month!

If you are interested, we have a Facebook page. Check us out and ask to become a member. Give Rick Wise a call (207.772.1800) or email him at rickw@insds.com. Rick can answer any questions you may have.

LET'S RIDE!



Pickleball Group

Reporter — Garry Chalmers

Great start for our new group! We had our first two meet-ups during the week of November 13th. The attend-

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ance for the two days was so good we had two more meet-ups for the week of November 20th. I hope all who attended were able to get something out of the group. Remember this is a social group and our objective is to have fun.

On a serious note, it is imperative we contact the City of Cape Coral Parks and Recreation Department (ccpks@CapeCoral.net) and express the need for more pickleball courts. We are not even in the official high season, yet pickleball players are struggling to get court time. As it stands, Cape Coral has only two parks with courts, for a total of only four courts. For the whole city! Adding to the problems is the policy that no reservations are accepted; play is on a first-come, first-served basis..

So with the lack of courts it will be impossible to manage any kind of pickleball league. Keep watching your email for further plans for us to play going forward.

For more info and to get on the email list, contact me (Garry Chalmers) at 239-839-3454, or coloni-aldog@icloud.com



Kayak Group

Reporter — Robert Pruiett

The Kayaker Group got started November with a couple of trips.

Several folks from the *Rock The Boat* group got together and kayaked in the Matlacha Aquatic Preserve. Thanks to Kat and Marc Weitzenkorn for finding a wonderful place to kayak.

Six of us had great fun at Sirenia Vista Park a couple weeks ago. We were a little early for the manatees but Sarah Pruiett and I saw several this past weekend.



Book Club

Reporter — Kathy Fannon

The NRC Book Club meets at 9 am every second Friday of the month at the Twelve Twenty Two Executive Building at 1222 SE 47 St.

In October we discussed *In the Sanctuary of Outcasts* by Neil White. As often happens, some liked the book, some did not. It is great to explore different types of literature and different types of opinions.

Our next meeting will be December 8th and we will be discussing *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See. We are getting ready to pick books for the next six months, so the discussion should be lively!

All are welcome to attend, even if you haven't read the book.

For more information contact Karen Solgard at Karen@solgard.com.

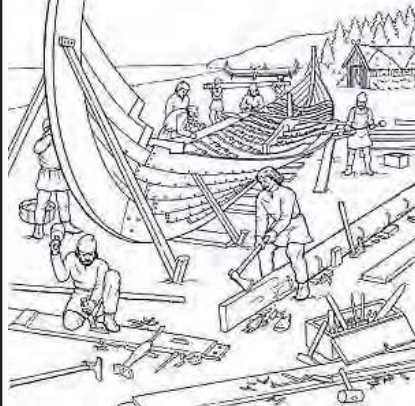


LEE HEALTH Needs Your Help

Your blood donations to our local Blood Center SAVES LIVES right here... IN OUR COMMUNITY!

The next NRC Blood Drive will be **Wednesday, December 20th** 7:30 am—1:30 pm at the Yacht Club PLEASE, reserve a donation time with Barbara Walter, 239-541-9000

CARDBOARD BOAT BUILD



Join our crew as we design and construct the NRC's entry in the 2018 Cape Coral Cardboard Boat Regatta. We have a plan and a boatload of cardboard. We will also crew the boat at the Regatta and hope to take home all the prizes. This project is crazy fun!

Construction happens every Thursday afternoon. Please contact Robin Rollinger (fabartz@yahoo.com) for all the details and your own personal invitation to join us for the fun and excitement.



A big WELCOME to our newest members, the Yet-to-be-Named November Group.

Welcoming Newcomers for 50 Years

Welcome to Cape Coral, your own slice of Paradise!

In 1967 the New Resident Club of Cape Coral was established by Helen Peck as a way to give newcomers the opportunity to exchange ideas and form friendships. The tradition continues today in this, our 50th year.

Membership is open to anyone who has resided in Cape Coral for three years or less. If you've been here longer than that, you can still join the NRC; every September is "open enrollment" for all residents, regardless of length of residency.

The two-year membership fee is \$45 per person.

Everyone joining will be members of a group consisting of those starting that month. Commonly the groups number one to three dozen. Each group holds its own activities as well as participating in events held by the NRC as a whole.

After two years of NRC membership, you will "matriculate" with your group to become a graduate member. You are still in the NRC and, as a graduate, strongly encouraged to continue to attend all NRC

meetings, activities and events, as well as continuing your group activities with other Club members.

The NRC holds a general meeting at 9:15 am on the first Tuesday of each month at the Yacht Club.

Please join us at the general meeting for coffee and a light snack, and get acquainted with the most dynamic social group in the Cape. We welcome you!

For additional information, visit the NRC website at:
www.capecoralnewresident.com,
or contact Robert Pruiett, 512-923-9886

SAVE THE DATES



**Holiday Nights at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates
Tuesday, December 19th, 6 pm,**

\$20 per person. We will tour the grounds and view the spectacular Christmas light displays and holiday decorations.

**Miniature Golf
at Bowland on Friday, December 29th, 6 pm,**

This will immediately follow TRIVIA at Nemo's. You can do BOTH!

PADDLEWHEEL RIVER CRUISE Saturday, January 13th

11 am—3:30 pm. \$58 includes the boat cruise to the Franklin Lock and lunch. Sign-up starts at the December general membership meeting.