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New Resident Club of Cape Coral





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MESSAGE FROM THE NRC PRESIDENT

Greetings NRC Members and NRC Graduates:

How time flies when you're having fun. It seems like only last month that I was beginning the position of Treasurer for Board 100. Now I am kicking off Board 101 as President. The last six months have been eventful as I have met many new people and attended several interesting events. As Board 101 begins its term, I am looking forward to making many more friends.

I want to give a special thanks to the members of Board 100; they were a great group to work with.

A little about my background: My wife, Susan Oliver (board 100 Photo Historian) and I moved to Cape Coral in 2015 from Columbus Ohio. Prior to that we lived in the Chicago area for 20+ years. I am originally from a small town in Missouri, with stops in Iowa, Kansas and Utah to go along with Chicago and Columbus. One unlikely coincidence is that the small town I grew up in was about 20 miles away from where prior president Kathie Chaney and her husband Bert lived. We both had several friends in common in high school. In yet another coincidence, we both lived in Burlington Iowa at the same time and share common friends from there as well. It goes to show it really is a small world.

As we kick off Board 101 we have many goals and great ideas. But, I want to remind everyone that this is YOUR club. We welcome your feedback and ideas. We are always looking for new activity suggestions.

Recently an NRC member survey was completed. A summary of the results is included in this newsletter. The results were encouraging in that 88.3% of the respondents felt that the NRC was meeting their expectations. However, the survey did show that we were not doing enough to support and recognize the singles within the club. We have taken steps to organize more events for our single members within the club and improve communications. Thanks to everyone who responded to the survey.

In closing, I encourage everyone to take that step to meet and introduce yourself to the new members each month. I also encourage the groups to reach out and try joint activities. Please feel free to contact Board 101 with ideas to make our NRC better and more fun.

Rick Robison
President, Board 101

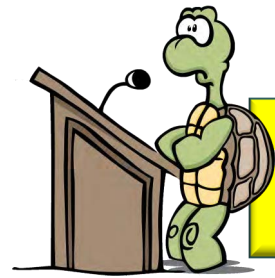


SEPTEMBER 2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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| Activities Income | \$ 1,016 | Activities Expenses | \$ 630 | Ending Balance | \$ 12,471 |
| Dance Income | 2,857 | Dance Expense | 3,524 | | |
| Raffle Income | 719 | Meeting Expense | 750 | | |
| Dues | 315 | Admin & Misc. | 590 | | |
| Total Income | \$ 4,907 | Total Expenses | \$ 5,494 | | |



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS



Guest Speakers at the Last General Membership Meeting October 3, 2017

Chelsea Miller, daughter of Robin, our own beloved “Crazy Pirate Lady,” gave an informative presentation on boating. She suggested local boaters visit Cayo Costa, Picnic Island, and Fort Myers Beach; locations noted as pleasant locations and good places to meet others. Good fishing is available throughout the area, including world-renowned tarpon fishing in Charlotte Harbor. She also recommended joining one of the local boating clubs as a good introduction to our unique local waters. **Ms. Miller** stressed maritime laws and regulations as essential to avoiding accidents and incidents. Safety is the essential consideration to ensure fun on the water; in particular, checking local weather before leaving port, leaving a float plan with a friend, having a two-way radio on-board, and having a Coast Guard vessel check each year.

The **Reverend Susan Rice-Waller**, Director of Development for Habitat for Humanity for Lee and Hendry Counties, provided the membership a good overview of Habitat’s mission and record of accomplishments in this area. Since initiating operations in 1982, the Lee/Hendry Habitat for Humanity has constructed 1,500 homes for qualified homeowners, who are selected on the criteria of need, ability to pay, and willingness to participate in the construction process. Rev. Rice-Waller stressed that they provide “a hand-up, not a hand-out.” Houses are not given away; they are provided to those capable of handling affordable mortgages and able to spend 300 hours in work and classes. “Everyone in the world deserves a decent place in which to live” says **Rev. Rice-Waller**. She cited studies concluding that children raised in owned-homes are more successful. She also stressed that Habitat homes do not reduce property values of the neighborhood in which they are built. Habitat for Humanity is a faith-based operation that solicits donations.

Guest Speaker for the November Membership Meeting

Ron Kase Price, Senior Vice Commander of the *Disabled American Veterans*, Cape Coral Chapter, will speak about the organization and activities of the DAV as well as introducing us to the Cape Coral Veterans Museum.

Guest Speaker for the December Membership Meeting

Detective Tim Galloway, Lee County Sheriff’s Department, will discuss local crime threats and provide tips on how to protect your property as well as general safety precautions.

DID YOU KNOW?

- “Alligator” comes from the Spanish “el lagarto,” “the lizard.”
- It is estimated that more than one million alligators live in Florida.
- Alligators are opportunistic eaters. Juveniles eat insects, small fish and invertebrates. Adults eat fish, snakes, turtles, small mammals, and birds.
- The odds of an unprovoked alligator attack are roughly one in 2.4 million.
- For about 20 feet an alligator can outrun a human.
- Gators live for up to 50 years in the wild, and reach 1,000 pounds in weight.



NEW RESIDENT CLUB OF CAPE CORAL SURVEY RESULTS

In August, Board 100 surveyed all current and graduate New Resident Club members for feedback on how the club is meeting member expectations and to solicit ideas to improve the club. Special thanks to David Sim for creating the survey and to Susan Oliver for preparing this summary.

WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SURVEY?

- There were 249 surveys completed out of 1,600 emailed to current members and graduates, for a response rate of 16%.
- 78% of the respondents are full-time residents of Cape Coral, and 22% are seasonal.
- 77% of the respondents are couples and 23% single.

WHAT WERE THE FINDINGS?

Overall, an overwhelming majority, 88%, feel the NRC is meeting their expectations. Summary findings are as follows:

1. *Reasons for Joining the NRC* - The unanimous response was that members join the NRC to meet new people and make friends. Also, meeting new people overwhelmingly was what respondents liked the most about the NRC.
2. *The Purpose of the NRC* – The NRC is viewed primarily as a social club with a side benefit of learning about the community. Less than half a percent felt that the organization was solely a charitable one.
3. *Activities Offered* - The NRC has something for almost everyone and there were no activities recommended for discontinuance. The most popular activities were the Sunset Celebrations, Cocktails on the Cape, and Dances. The least popular activities were Bowling, Bocce and Game Nights, but those still have an avid following despite lower attendance. With the high level of engagement with activities, it was not surprising to see that additional activities were requested:
 - 80% - Social events involving interacting with others
 - 74% - Day trips to attractions around Florida
 - 67% - Cultural activities, such as dinner theaters, performing arts, museum tours
 - 58% - Recreation outside of what is already offered: golf outings, kayaking, boating, fishing, tennis, pickleball
 - 56% - Picnics or other outdoor gatherings
 - 54% - Dining at commercial venues
4. *Activities Attendance* - When in town, 20% attend 4 or more NRC events each month, 60% attend 1-3 events each month, and 20% attend no events.
5. *Are Any Activities Held at the Wrong Time?* - 59% are satisfied that times are appropriate, 15% said more activities should be held in the evening to accommodate working members, and 5% want monthly meetings held later in the day, at lunch time, or alternating between morning and afternoon.

(Survey Report continued from page 5)

Comments regarding events included dissatisfaction with offensive and politically charged remarks made at some NRC events, and members being “forced” to remain within their group and avoid interaction with other groups.

6. *Are You Happy with the NRC Monthly Group that You Joined?* - 80% responded “Yes” and 20% “No.”

Yes - Top reasons:

- * Great people
- * Still active after graduating
- * Formed lifelong friendships

No - Top reasons:

- * Group is inactive
- * Little in common with rest of group

7. *Are Improved Communications Needed?* - 75% felt communications are fine as is. Suggested improvements included using Facebook more, and group leaders reaching out to members not having email.

8. *Are You Willing to Serve on the NRC Board?* - 86% responded “No” and 14% “Yes.”

9. *Are You Willing to Lead an Interest Group, Such as Organizing a One-Time Activity or Leading a Recurring Activity?* - 84% responded “No” and 16% “Yes.”

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Several questions asked for constructive criticism in order to identify areas for improvement. In order of incidence:

- Some respondents would like to see more activities geared towards the time constraints of its working members. This includes social activities but also the monthly meetings, which could be held during the lunch hours, or alternated each month between morning and evenings.
- Some respondents would like options to join another group in the event their monthly group is inactive, or consists of people with whom they have nothing in common.
- Many singles feel like the NRC is a club for couples. They would like an engaged singles coordinator with additional activities; some mentioned being able to join a singles group rather than their monthly assigned group.
- Some respondents felt that certain activities and/or groups were “cliquish” - they did not feel welcome at events where seats were reserved by other members. Also, several comments mentioned attending events intended for socializing but that were not conducive to mingling.
- There were several comments made that members felt they were required to stay within their group and not mingle with other groups.
- While questions pertaining to events/activities received comments, they did not rise to the top of the “areas for improvement” suggestions overall. However, members wish to see:
 - ◊ Improved food quality at the dances.
 - ◊ More mingling at the Cocktails on the Cape.
 - ◊ Additional activities and formed groups based on hobbies/interests.
 - ◊ Shorter monthly meetings – there were several comments made that the board member reports were not necessary when they were included in the newsletter or other handouts.

CONCLUSION

Overall, most survey respondents are pleased with the NRC. There were a few common themes regarding how it can be made better, with a wide variety of opinion on other topics where all can't possibly be satisfied. However, there is enough material to improve upon the organization and enhance member experience in years to come.

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

Archer Airboat Tours
Capt. Bobby Archer
239-633-6645

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

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

Downtown 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

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

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

Imagine Wellness Spa
1404 Del Prado Boulevard S, #100
239-471-7029

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

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

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

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

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 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

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

Lady Cakes
2924 Del Prado Boulevard, S
239-945-CAKE (2253)

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 Amskinicare)
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

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

Su Casa 'A Furniture Boutique'
4635 Coronado Parkway
239-945-0606

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

MILITARY MUSEUM TOUR



Join us as we explore a local treasure. This 34,000 square foot museum is bursting at the seams with fascinating military memorabilia and exhibits. You'll find many one-of-a-kind items from the Revolutionary War through modern conflicts. Check out a 1945 WWII jeep that still runs, a C47 airplane engine and historically significant flags, including one with 37 stars as well as a Nazi flag complete with bullet holes. There is an intriguing baseball exhibit recognizing the hundreds of major leaguers who left the diamond to serve the country. But the biggest draw are the personal uniforms, medals, photos and stories of dozens of war heroes and ordinary citizens who served in all branches of the United States military services.

Friday, November 10th
10 am - Noon
4820 Leonard Street

Free Admission
(Donation requested)
Limited to 30 Persons

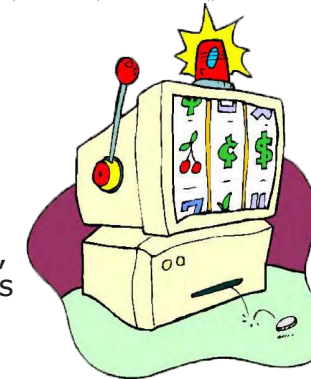
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or online at CapeCoralNewResident.com.
Info: Nancy Cohen CapeActivities@gmail.com

IMMOKALEE CASINO BUS TRIP

This is a perennial favorite of NRC members. Go right now - break open your piggy bank and fill your pockets with the coins. We will take a chartered bus to the casino; enjoy the sights, sounds, and foods; break THEIR bank; and get back to the Cape by dinnertime.

Monday, November 13th
9 am - 5 pm
Limited to 50 participants

\$25 pp, includes transportation,
booklet for free play & discounts



Pick-up at Coralwood Mall (look for
the white All Star Charters bus)
Board starting at 8:30 am
Bus leaves at 9 am
Be sure to bring an empty bag to
haul your winnings home

Sign-up at the monthly membership meeting or online at CapeCoralNewResident.com. Info: Nancy Cohen CapeActivities@gmail.com

Singles' Get Together
Monday, November 13th

Join us at 5:30 pm
RSVP to Susan Beaudry
copertuz@gmail.com

FOR THE NEW NRC MEMBERS WHO JOINED IN NOVEMBER
YOU'RE INVITED TO THE NEW MEMBER SOCIAL

Join us at the home of Diane Nelson
Monday, November 13th
To enjoy a snack and refreshments while meeting other
new NRC members and some board members.
RSVP **dnelson4520@comcast.net** or **920-229-4745**

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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|  |  |  | 1 BOCCE 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK SUNSET CELEBRATION 4 PM @ YACHT CLUB | 2 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND | 3 TRIVIA NIGHT 4 - 6 PM @ NEMO'S | 4 NATIONAL CANDY DAY |
| 5 GUY FAWKES NIGHT | 6 | 7 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 9:15 AM @ YACHT CLUB | 8 BOCCE 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK | 9 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND | 10 MILITARY MUSEUM TOUR 10 AM - NOON @ MUSEUM TRIVIA NIGHT 4 - 6 PM @ NEMO'S | 11  VETERANS DAY |
| 12 | 13 IMMOKALEE CASINO 9 AM - 5 PM SINGLES GET-TOGETHER 6:30 PM @ TBA NEW MEMBER SOCIAL 6:30 PM @ NELSON'S HOME | 14 MEN'S BREAKFAST 9 AM @ HOUSE OF OMELETS COCKTAILS ON THE CAPE 5 - 8 PM @ FINS | 15 BOCCE 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK | 16 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND LADIES LUNCHEON NOON @ POINT 57 | 17 TRIVIA NIGHT 4 - 6 PM @ NEMO'S | 18 DISTILLERY TOUR NOON @ WICKED DOLPHIN MICKEY MOUSE DAY |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 BOCCE 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK | 23  THANKSGIVING | 24 TRIVIA NIGHT 4 - 6 PM @ NEMO'S FLOSSING DAY | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 BOCCE 3-5 PM @ VETERANS PARK DEL PRADOS SHOW 5 PM @ CAPE CABARET | 30 BOWLING 9:45 AM @ BOWLAND |  <p><i>The Sunset Celebration for November will be the first of the season</i></p> <p>- NO BLOOD DRIVE IN NOVEMBER - CALL BARB WALTERS TO SET UP APPOINTMENT TO DONATE ON DECEMBER 30TH. 239-541-9000</p> <p>CARDBOARD BOAT Build!!!! Organizational Meeting 10 am - Monday the 13th at the CC Library</p> | |

COCKTAILS ON THE CAPE

FINS SEAFOOD & DIVE BAR
3422 DEL PRADO BOULEVARD

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH
5 - 8 PM
LIMITED TO 90 MEMBERS

THERE WILL BE BOTH DRINK AND APPETIZER DEALS.

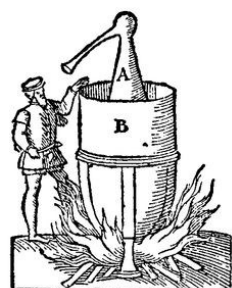
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Fins is one of the newer restaurants in the Cape but it already has the reputation for good food and good times in an informal setting

WICKED DOLPHIN DISTILLERY TOUR

If you've never toured a distillery before, you're in for a treat. The Wicked Dolphin has a fascinating story. This is a great opportunity to learn how to distill spirits, inspect the distillery, and sample the wares.



Wicked Dolphin Distillery, 131 SW 3rd Place
Saturday, November 18th
Noon - 1 pm
There's a limit of 40 members

Following the tour, we will gather for an optional luncheon at:
Big Blue Brewing, 4721 SE 10th Place
With a free pint of beer for everyone

The Tour of Wicked Dolphin is free. The lunch is full menu - pay at the restaurant

Sign-up at the monthly membership meeting or online at CapeCoralNewResident.com. For more info, contact Nancy Cohen at CapeActivities@gmail.com

"THE DEL PRADOS" SHOW

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

CAPE CABARET, 4725 VINCENNES BOULEVARD

The DEL PRADOS are SW Florida's premier Doo-Wop harmony group. Enjoy great five-part harmony singing the best songs from the 50s & 60s. Hear all of the hits that we loved from an era gone by. The DEL PRADOS have been delighting audiences for the last 15 years. It's Street Corner Harmony at its best with the DEL PRADOS.

5 pm for Early Bird 1/2-price dinner \$5 Cover charge
7 - 9:30 pm Show \$2.50 House wines and well drinks
Limited to 40 members \$1.50 Domestic drafts

Sign-up at the monthly membership meeting or online at CapeCoralNewResident.com. For more info, contact Nancy Cohen at CapeActivities@gmail.com

THE NOVEMBER LADIES LUNCHEON

POINT 57
KITCHEN & COCKTAILS

In anticipation of Thanksgiving, the theme is Thankful Hearts.

Wear something you are thankful for.

3522 DEL PRADO BOULEVARD SOUTH

Join us at one of Cape Coral's newest hot spots and taste what everyone is raving about! Enjoy the great food, play some games, and maybe even win one of the raffle prizes. Two lucky game winners will each win a \$50 Point 57 gift certificate donated by the restaurant. We will be collecting donations for canned goods and Toys for Tots (new and unwrapped, please).

Lunch Selections

- House specialty burger & fries
- Roasted acorn and kale salad with or without chicken
- Faro island salmon salad
- Roasted tomato soup & house salad

Dessert is Florida banana cream pie

Thursday, November 16th at Noon
\$20 cash at the door includes lunch, coffee, iced tea, soft drinks, tip & tax
Optional \$5 for raffle, \$1 for 50/50

Call, text, or email lunch selection by November 13th to

Anne Coleman: 401-829-1391 acole70174@aol.com or Kim White: 386-299-7260 sleepyrobotkim@gmail.com

NRC GROUP NEWS



Graduates
Reporter—Kathy Gable

Hi! Kathy Gable here, reporting on Graduate activities.

On October 11th, Orysia and Bill Fesio hosted their first pot luck. They are snowbirds for now and have flown home NJ to await their first grandchild.

A number of Graduates enjoyed an excellent Altered Eagles show at the Cape Cabaret; a great show.

Who are you? Gary and Marne hosted a costume party at their home. A large number of Graduates attend-

ed, and there were too many wonderful costumes to name. The hosts dressed up as a Witch and Dorothy, but which was witch?



Party Palms
November/December 2015
Reporters— Ted & Carolyn Clark

The month of October was particularly busy perhaps because so many of us are not snow birds. leaving a sizable group to plan and implement activities and attend events.... or perhaps we're just a very social group.

In October, a group of Party Palm girls joined the monthly Purse Bin-go party to benefit a respected

charity and the boys held their bi-monthly poker game at Michael's house where he served up some of the best chili in Cape Coral.

Continuing with the card games, the monthly Hand, Knee and Foot card game was hosted by Party Patti with some wonderful treats provided. Speaking of food, some of the PP man joined the NRC Men's breakfast and helped in leading the group through a debate on the value of fly fishing.

A bunch of Party Palms joined the NRC for the Eagles tribute band show at Cape Cabernet. The food was good, and the band was terrific. On the 13th, some PPs attended a Halloween party at Gary & Marne Eldred's home - loads of fun, great

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costumes and wonderful food. Speaking of celebrations, Sherry Jeffery celebrated her 40 years of being a Type 1 Diabetic at the Weekend for Women's Conference in Alexandria, VA. Sherry stated she gained new knowledge to help control her diabetes. On the 13th we celebrated the birthdays of Charo, Karel and Bud at a lunch at Moretti's restaurant.

A group of PPs enjoyed an afternoon Bunco at (Party) Patty Zysk's home. The game is simple however moving from one table to another appeared to be a challenge for many of the players. Less alcohol might correct the problem, you think?

Three of the PP girls celebrated Karel Casey's 60th birthday in Las Vegas. What happens in Vegas...

A unique fall event (pumpkin & gourd painting) was held at Valerie Desanto-Lawrence's home on the 23rd. In the meantime, the bi-monthly men's poker party, hosted this time at Ted's home, was a hoot, probably because the host finally broke even.

Sadly, on Tuesday, October 24th, one of our *Party Palms*, Jay Zegowitz passed away after a battle with cancer. Jay was the type of person who always injected a room with his wonderful sense of humor and useful, practical advice. We'll miss him tremendously.

A group of PPs enjoyed an evening of Bingo at the Uptown Bingo Hall in Cape Coral. Many have never played with electronic bingo cards. However, it prevented the players from missing called numbers. Terry even won some money!

On the 27th, a large group of PPs and Bad Buoy's enjoyed dinner at Fin's. Cheesecake tastings were provided by Sandra Markowitz—scrumptious.

The PPs created a wonderful Bloody Mary party basket for the NRC 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance. On the

next night, two tables of *Party Palms* are climbing aboard the Halloween Mystery Train for a night of mystery. Finally, we are planning to celebrate Bud's Brouillette's 75th birthday (can you believe how good he looks?) on October 30.



No Egrets

January 2016

Reporter — Andy Davidson

A few of our snowbirds returned to the Cape in late October. Everyone is excited to see everyone, just as if we were going back to college after summer break. Great fun!

The excitement was evident at Ladies Night with ten ladies joining in and "The Dirty Dozen" gang of fellas attended Guys Night Out. The ladies went to Cork Soakers and the guys went to Papa Joes and the Cape Coral Brewery. Afterwards all met up at Andy and Lea's for a rousing billiards game called "Three Ball". Much laughter ensued and of course we are still questioning the "integrity" of certain persons - it turns out Larry is quite the pool shark as he was the big winner.

Seven *No Egrets* plus Andy's brother Tom made the trip to Nemos for trivia. The group had fun but did not fare too well in the standings.

The *No Egrets Book Club* met with Susan, Lori, Jayne, Juelene and Raylene at Lori's home to discuss the novel *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi.

The monthly Dinner Club met in late September at Iguana Mia. It was Johnny's birthday. A celebration broke out, complete with Johnny wearing a sombrero. Twelve *No Egrets* attended. In addition, the October version of The Dinner Club met at Finn's Sea Food and Dive Bar restaurant.

Linda went on a cruise to the North Eastern United States. She man-

aged to meet up with snowbird Nancy for the afternoon during a stop at a port in Maine.

Thanks to Linda for serving on the NRC board. We now have Nancy joining the NRC Board. Thanks for your service, ladies.

Up coming events (check the *No Egret's* Facebook page for event details):

- Monthly Book club: The November meeting will be Tuesday, November 21 at 11:00 a.m. at Jayne's home. The December 12th meeting will be at Linda Jessen's for our Christmas brunch.
- December 16 Holiday party at Andy and Lea's home
- January Potluck: TBA
- February 17 Pot Luck at Larry and Raylene's home.



Leapin' Lizards

February 2016

Reporter — Nancy Serzan

No Report this Month.



Landsharks

March/April 2016

Reporter — Tammy Wilson

No Report this Month.



Margarita Madness

May/June 2016

Reporter — Emily Main

There has not been a report for a few months. Time to catch up:

Emily had neck surgery in June and took a couple of months for recovery. In September, Linda Turner hosted the monthly potluck at the

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Main's home. Everyone had a fun time and the main subject was talk about repairs after Hurricane Irma.

During October, Cindy Olsen hosted a cocktail party at her home. Tim brought his margarita machine and everyone had him busy making margaritas all evening.

Bridgette is hosting the November potluck at her home.

I hope everyone is enjoying all the festivals this time of year.

Paradise Parrots



July 2016

Reporter — Bridgette Bonatsos

No Report this Month.

Bad Buoy's & Nauti Gulls



August 2016

Reporter — Michele McKay

We are one crafty group. From painting rocks to give or hide, to designing greeting cards for Blessings in a Backpack, to creating beautiful and sparkling wreaths for our friends and families; artistic talent has just been seeping out of our pores lately.

Travel is happening for some of our members. Kathy & Joe, Martha & Dave, Jane & Chuck and Linda & Bob are our adventurers. Some of us have the need to travel and some of us are happy to stay right back here in Paradise. Regardless,

we always enjoy getting back together to share what's been going on.

Big thank you to Kathy, Neal and their doggie, Hunter, for hosting our recent pot luck dinner. Once again we enjoyed chowing down and catching up with our Cape friends. Anne hosted a brunch pot luck in September which was also a fun way for us to get together, never running out of things to talk about and always enjoying each other's contributions.

The *Bad Buoy's & Nauti Gulls* wish the other NRC members a pleasant and delicious Thanksgiving. Remember, all meals have ZERO calories on that day. The calories must be absorbed by all of that love and kindness going around. I mean, where else could they be? Right?



Twisted Turtles

September 2016

Reporter — Susan Gerraughty

Now that we have recovered from IRMA, the fun continues for the *Turtles*, beginning with a fabulous "We Survived Irma" cocktail party; well attended and featuring a bountiful supply of Hurricane cocktails.

Our birthday bashes continue with great restaurants chosen by our birthday celebrants.

For those who needed help in cleaning up after Irma, we all pitched in with a helping hand.

And a major THANK YOU to Linda Nusser for spearheading the NRC Silent Auction. [Awesome success!](#)

We still have too many *Turtles* working through medical issues. Thankfully Will Victor is feeling better.



The Happy Owls

October 2016

Reporter — Sue Ford

We've finally started to get some cooler days and it's been heavenly. More of our snowbirds are returning to the lovely weather and fun times are starting up.

Weekly bocce, with drinks and camaraderie after, and bowling are well attended. Lately, Trivia has been a new weekly activity.

Oktoberfest was a fun event and in between the raindrops there was food, drinks, music and lots of laughter.

Along with the cooler weather most of us are looking forward to Sunset on the Beach.



The GetGoes

November 2016

Reporters— Pamela Neubert
Sheila Nutter

On October 6th, Jaime hosted Bunco with 7 ladies attending. Pamela was supposed to host September's Bunco, but had to postpone until November due to IRMA.

Potluck for October was hosted by Suzanne & Joe. They live on a freshwater canal and we were disappointed not to see their friendly alligator. We all brought different kinds of pizzas and enjoyed our get together.

Kathy & Bob, Pamela & Larry attended the "Eagles Tribute Show" at Cape Cabaret. We all enjoyed the songs of the 70's.

NRC Cardboard Boat Build

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
10 AM, MONDAY NOVEMBER 13TH
CAPE CORAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
INFO: MUGZYME.COM



Come join us! Help plan and build the NRC entry for the Cape Coral Cardboard Boat Regatta. No skill necessary, just enthusiasm for a group effort that will be a boatload of fun!

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The GetGoes were also well represented at Cocktails on the Cape Kathy & Bob, Adrienne & Bob, Jan & Dick and Larry & Pamela.

Medical Updates: Bob Bode was rushed to the hospital on October 19th for chest pains, where he was tested and released the next day. Very glad to hear that it wasn't anything serious. Joe McHugh had shoulder surgery on October 24th and will be laid up for 4 weeks. We wish Joe a speedy recovery. David Carpenter had back surgery in September and is doing well.

We are looking forward to our Snowbirds returning. Marguerite & Ian, Kyle & Ron and Melody & Greg returned in October. Denise & Doug, Myrt & Stan and Susie & Bob are returning in November. Laura & GP are hosting a "Welcome Back Snowbirds" party on November 11th.

Happy 39th Anniversary on October 24th to Laura & GP.

Patty & Charles Bartell have moved to Georgia due to job change: we will miss you.

Happy Birthday to GetGoes celebrating November Birthdays: Joe McHugh, Monica Tague, Jim Butt, Larry Neubert, and Ron Busnengo.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.



Sunsetters

December 2016

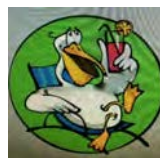
Reporter — Diane Nelson

October is a beautiful month to be in Florida. Even though palm trees don't change color, it's always a good day at the beach. A thank you to Pam & Armando Pantalone for hosting our October Halloween Pot-Luck. And a shout-out to Terry & John Stevens for hosting November's Pot-Luck. And congratulations to John for joining Board 101 as

the new Treasurer.

The part-timers are starting to return: a warm welcome to Doris & Gary Mitchell, Ken & Cathy Kalleta, Connie & Dale Posl, Pat & Dan Zak, and Terri McDonagh. Good to have you guys back. We are looking forward to other *Sunsetters* returning soon.

A group of SS found a new place for Happy Hour at Cass Cay – Burnt Store Marina. It was a fun night. Nancy Fellows and Diane Nelson went to the Eagles Tribute at Cape Cabaret – definitely going back. A group of SS went to the COTC at Hurricane's. We made several new friends and invited them to our October Pot-Luck.



Delican Briefs

January 2017

Reporter — Susan Oliver

No Report this Month.



Cape Cruisers

February 2017

Reporter—Toni Hardesty

No Report this Month.



Rock the Boat

March/April 2017

Reporter—Kathi Irvin

Welcome back to those snowbirds who have come back to the area for the season. Hopefully you all fared well from the hurricane. We are thankful for the

minimal damage to Cape Coral compared to what was projected. If you did have damage and need assistance or just overall help with clean up or repairs, do let us know. There's some in the group who have offered assistance.

The September potluck was cancelled but we're all looking forward to the October potluck to catch up.

The holidays are just around the corner and the weather is finally starting to cool off. Wishing everyone the best as we are very thankful this holiday season.



Dancing Dolphins

May/June 2017

Reporter—Corinne Rinaldi

Ann and Cliff Block and Kathy Kovach are attending Cape Coral's Citizen Academy. They are learning about their new city, while Candy, Smitty, Bruce and Perri are going to the C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) training given by the Cape Coral Fire Department.

Congrats to the Roberts, Perri and Bruce, on moving into their new house.

Several *Dancing Dolphins* had a pleasant time at Oktoberfest. The traditional German food was yummy and the music was delightful.

More than a dozen *Dancing Dolphins* enjoyed happy hour on the deck at Fathoms. The evening air stimulated appetites beyond...

Lena and Rob Smith are hosting the November Pot Luck.

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Cape Corruptibles

July/August 2017

Reporter—Marty Franssen

The *Cape Corruptibles* held their second potluck at the home of Gary and Marty Franssen. The theme was to bring a dish representing the state from which you moved to Cape Coral. We had some delicious food and nobody went home hungry, or for that matter, thirsty! Even though we are becoming more acquainted with our fellow group members, we will now have official name tags. That way, everyone in the club will know when they come in contact with a "Corruptible"!

Our group contributed to make a basket for the October Dance Silent Auction. Judy Desch volunteered and created a beautiful basket with a restaurant gift certificate and a bottle of wine donated by the Chalmers.

Many in our group went to their first Cocktails on the Cape and most likely it will become a monthly event. Several of our members attended the Eagle's Tribute and really enjoyed the music. The *Corruptibles* are also recruiting and instructing people to play pickleball. Currently, we play on Sundays at 11 am.

For our October monthly get together, Sue and Tom Jackson organized a group outing at the Cape's Oktoberfest. Despite a few rain showers, everyone enjoyed German brats and beer. A few members (encouraged, or dragged by Judy Desch) even ventured on the dance floor for a little Polka dancing.



Singles Group

Reporter — Diana Simpson

WOW! Time flies when we're having FUN! Let's see, what have we crazy kids been up to during this last month? Well, about 25 of us went to Miller's Ale House in Ft. Myers for their ribs special. Can you say yummy? Then, our October Get Together was at the shelter on the Yacht Club beach for a beautiful sunset. Sheila organized it, and Tom supplied the tunes. It doesn't get better than dancing on the beach at sunset! After that, about 20 got together at Oktoberfest for German food, beer and more dancing. Do you sense a pattern? Meanwhile, a handful of us, (IDonna, Tom, Jim, and I), have been playing Pickleball at Four Freedoms park weekly. If you are interested, contact me at the email below.

Speaking of dancing, contact Dave at dtaggart40@gmail.com, if you are interested in joining Singles at Cape Cabaret on Thurs., Nov. 16, to hear Erich. Dave will provide details and count you in for the reservation. Dave would like to hear from you by the 11th. Also, we Singles love to sit and dance together at the NRC monthly dances. Join us by selecting Singles as your seating preference.

For monthly dine outs, doggie dinners, or spur of the moment ideas, (like Oktoberfest), check out our private Facebook group. If you would like to be added to the private Facebook NRC Single group, or have any other questions or suggestions, 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

The Spunky Monkey's most recent ride was on October 15th, and the next ride will be mid-November.

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

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CC Ryders

Reporter — Rick Wise

CC Ryders had its first anniversary on October 3rd. We now have 38 active members and generally have rides with 8-15 bikes. In the last year we have gone on more than 15 rides to places like Solomon's Castle, an air boat ride in Immokalee, trips to many "exotic locations" for lunch. We are in the planning stages for more rides this fall and winter, and we may head to the east coast for a weekend away from CC.

Bobby Irvin is leading a ride to Seminole Casino in Immokalee on October 29th

We meet 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 next Planning Meeting is on

November 8th at the home of Frank and Connie Catanese.

The Ladies of CC Ryder generally have a monthly "ladies luncheon" and the guys meet 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!

We have a Facebook page. Check us out and ask to become a member. Or contact Rick Wise (207-772-1800) or rickw@insds.com for more information. LET'S RIDE!



Pickleball Group

Reporter — Garry Chalmers

Welcome Pickleballers!

Want good exercise and another way of meeting more people with something in common? Pickleball is good, fun exercise. Depending on your experience and fitness level it can also be fast-paced.

We are starting the NRC Pickleball Group and would like you to join us. We will pair up groups who are compatible in level of play.

For NRC members who have never

played and want to test drive the game, please come out. I have two paddles that new players can borrow. Then, if you would like to continue, you can invest in your own paddle.

We will have an initial meet-and-greet at a court (location to be determined later) to have a quick demonstration of equipment and discuss where to purchase equipment, rules, and locations to play.

For more info, please contact Gary Chalmers at 239-839-3454 or colonialdog@icloud.com



Kayak Group

Reporter — Robert Pruiett

You are invited to participate in some fun activities with the NRC's newest group, *The Kayakers*.

We will be exploring our local waterways in group outings. The intention is to have fun in the Florida outdoors and enjoy the special joys of kayaking with friends.

Please contact me for more information; we look forward to having you join us. Robert Pruiett, 512-923-9886, Rjpruiett.nrc@gmail.com

BOWLING



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

Bowling starts at 9:45 am

At BOWLAND, 42 Mid Cape Terrace

MEN'S BREAKFAST

9 am every second Tuesday of the month

House of Omelets

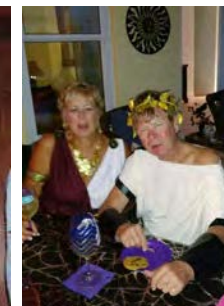
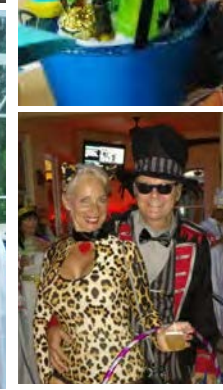
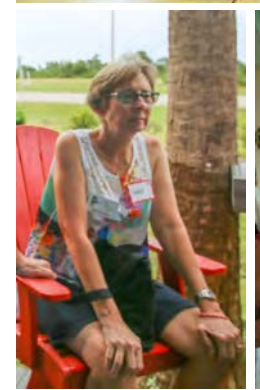
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Contact your host, Chris Weeks, at 239-339-7015, cjweeks1234@gmail.com

Men's Breakfast is a long-standing tradition of the NRC, and provides the opportunity for good conversation, good companionship, and a good meal.



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



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 two 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.

For additional information, visit the NRC website at:

www.capecoralnewresident.com,
or contact Robert Pruiett: 512-923-9886.

SAVE THE DATE

Designer Purse Bingo and Luncheon

Texas Roadhouse 8021 Dani Drive, Fort Myers

Thursday, December 7th
Noon till 3 pm
25 person limit

\$45 pp cash/check
\$50 pp credit card
(\$34 tax write-off)

This is your chance to take home a Michael Kors, Kate Spade, or other designer purse. Supports Lee Health

SIGN UP NOW

SAVE THE DATE

NRC Holiday Dinner and Dance

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH \$25 MUSIC BY 41 SOUTH

COME, JOIN US FOR THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON. SPREAD SOME CHEER WITH YOUR FRIENDS, BOTH OLD AND NEW. THIS IS THE DANCE THAT SELLS OUT QUICKLY, SO SIGN UP QUICKLY. (REMEMBER, THIS IS ON FRIDAY, NOT SATURDAY!)

SAVE THE DATE

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE December 31st

Sponsored by the Cape Coral Social Club. \$50 per person. Music by Memory Makers.

Prime rib, chicken, or eggplant. Champagne at midnight. Purchase your tickets early. For info, contact Sandy Drelich at sdrelich09@gmail.com, 239-689-0848, pay at the Yacht Club, or online at CapeCoralSocialClub.org.