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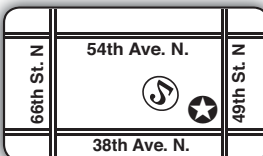
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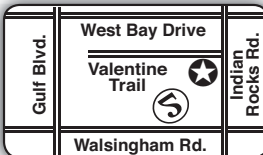
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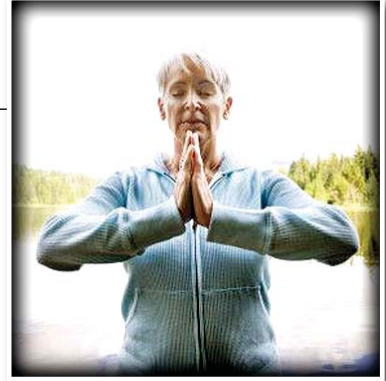
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## February Prayer

John Whittredge Hill, Chaplain



**E**ternal and Most Gracious God as we look at this month's outstanding dates we note some particularly. On the 15th we celebrate "President's Day. We think of those who were outstanding. Each of us has our favorites for many reasons. This wonderful land of ours has been greatly blessed by both those who were outstanding and those less fortunate. However, each one was a professed believer in You, God and trusted in You. We have just elected a new Board of Directors and we pray that each of them have the same faith. Christmas is just over and we now begin the Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday the 17th. A time for reflection of all that Your Son did for us while He lived on Earth. His victory we will celebrate next month, a far greater celebration than Christmas. Yet, it almost passes by unnoticed. Be the majority. Help us to prepare our hearts and minds for the full realization of the meaning of Easter. Amen.

## Poinsettia Memorials



The following came in too late for the January issue:

*Bunny and Bill Trace for their son Steven, Rex and Peggy Stuckey  
for Loved Ones, The Harmon's for Patty*

Everyone who received a plant was pleased to know the source. Thank you one and all.

## Vespers

Martha Pratt



**W**e have had a wonderful Vesper season, with a number of diverse speakers for our spiritual uplifting. The choir has continued to grow as well as the congregation. We're more than half way through the season and before you know it Easter Sunrise will be here. Before that happens, I hope you will come and experience our regular Sunday service for yourself. We all look forward to meeting our friends and neighbors. Faith Brundage, who contacts the speakers, still has some openings. If you would like your own church pastor to speak, please contact her at 954-6708 or myself.

## February Pastors

Feb. 7 Hans Dekker - Americana Cove

14 Jerry Strasheim - Retired Lutheran

21 Roger Watts - Retired Methodist

28 Rick Carlson - Faith Covenant



## Board Bits

Dick Nemi, President

*Grow old with me the best is yet to be.*

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Since I am writing this prior to election night, I may or may not be representing you as a Board Member at this time. Let me take this opportunity to say thank you to all, and for the most part, it truly has been a pleasure representing this great community.

On a more serious note, at the candidate's night one of the major questions was, "Would we, if elected, treat the renters any differently?" The question is how are they treated differently? They have the use of all amenities and clubs the same as all shareholders. They still cannot vote or work on the budget. I have stated that not since Clive Ballentine was the head of the Renters had any discussion been asked for or held. I was mistaken as we also had a good dialog with John Dunn and since I was not on the Board when Jean Dion was President, I cannot speak for that era. However, I can speak to the last two years. We, as I stated at the meeting, have not once been asked for a meeting with any of the Renters. We have however, been sued by one of the officers who lost his case as frivolous and another officer who dropped his case as soon as he saw it was a lost cause. It therefore appears to me that the officers who say they are representing the Renters but who were elected more than two years ago and did not hold an election last year would have an Agenda. The question "asks" why we do not treat the Renters better? Three renters attended the last meeting, all were said to be the officers. My question is whom do they represent; do they have a group of dues paying renters to represent or just themselves? We as a Board have no clue. The so-called President said to the manager he no longer was President, yet he conducted the meeting where "three" were in attendance.

One suggestion that has been going around is that three renters and three shareholders form a committee to air any complaints. This makes me wonder what is a Renters Association is for, if not to air complaints with the Board. If the renters are a viable group I would suggest they ask for a sit down meeting with the new Board to discuss whatever their problems are. We have never turned down a request to meet with them and I believe the new Board will also agree to meet. They must first of all become a true Renters Association.

In conclusion, the Renters have use of all amenities and clubs as do shareholders. They have a prospectus, which was given to them when they moved in saying what is expected of them. They agreed a number of years ago when the Renters Association met with the Board to rent increases tied to the CPI. As taxes kept rising for both shareholders and renters, they were subject to a pass on which is the way Florida Statutes say it is to be done. My question is, WHY DO SOME FEEL THEY ARE TREATED AS SECOND CLASS CITIZENS?

In conclusion, I thank everyone who helped me this past year and may 2010 be a great year of advancement for the community and a successful year for the new Board.

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## Manager's Report

Dawn Simmons, Manager



### Water Shut-offs:

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The five-inch water main broke on Mt. Pleasant on January 4th at 3 PM. The repair went smoothly and was fixed in just two hours.

We discovered through the Emergency water shut off of January 7th: We do NOT have the correct phone numbers of our residents. We also do NOT have our Northern residents listed on the Hurricane Call List. We are attempting to find a solution so all residents can be notified at the same time.



### Important Message:

Please be reminded that whenever an announcement is made about water being shut off, it is imperative that you *shut off your hot water heater!* Most of the time, if the heater is not on a timer, it needs to be done by shutting off the circuit breaker in your home, on the main electric breaker panel. Otherwise the heating element in the heater will burn out. MAROA is not responsible for the replacement of heating elements.

Anyone that has a GAS hot water heater does not need to shut off his or her electric or the heater.

Please call the office or gatehouse with any questions when the water is off: such as to the time frame for the time the water will be off.

### Thank You

Thanks to the Block Captains and callers for notifying our south side residents of the water shut-off on January 5th. While the repair was taking place we used the Hurricane Call List. If you were on the south side and not called it was because you do not reside here in the summer. If you do get a call please notify your neighborhood summer visitors, neighbors.

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So, I told him just what his fast talking sales guy had told me last year, that in ONE YEAR these windows would pay for themselves! Helllooooo? It's been a year, I told him! There was only silence at the other end of the line, so I finally just hung up. He never called back. I bet he felt like an idiot.



## **Deb Brown Realty**

*By Deb Brown*

### January News!

We have had four closings on re sales this month. Also, in the works there is one new one on Mt. Piney that will be placed on a vacant lot and possibly two older home pulled out and two new ones in their place.

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## Around the Cove

By Nora Adell Andrews



**B**rrrr! Let us hope that by the time you read this, you won't remember what that B and those r's mean! I cannot remember a colder, prolonged time in our Cove, but we managed! Some days there were some that wore shorts: like Richard Lloyd. Walkers were seen daily, some early in the morning, such as **John Hill**, **Shirley Beauchamp** and **Collette Benight**. There were also the bike riders like **Mike and Mary Maiorella** and **Brian Birch**!



While they and others were braving the weather, I had the fireplace roaring! The poor fish though were suffering and dying

from the cold. Some of our beloved Snook, a beautiful sport fish, didn't make it. The one pictured here was 40 inches long and could weigh up to 30 pounds.

Enough of the cold! Now we need the warm sunny face of Mr. Sun to shine down on us. Then the pool exercisers, with **Sharon Miller** and **Cathy Thomas** to direct our movements, will have everyone whisking up the water and bringing smiles to everyone!

**Jeanne LaCasse** can finish planting her flowers, and **Dean Myers** will get his plants organized in our better, Florida weather!

Everyone can finish putting away the Christmas decorations too. Hopefully before March!

The Crafters' have been thinking about the less fortunate and have set-aside one of their meeting nights: February 8, at 6:30 PM to collect cereals and non-perishable foods for the less-fortunate. Please take your contributions to them or give to any crafter and they will see that the food will be distributed. **Isabel Colby** is spearheading this endeavor.

We all came out to have a warm, hearty pancake breakfast put on by the one of Shuffler's. In the kitchen, the 'pancake man', **Roger Beauchamp** with his helpers, **Fod Wright**, **Pat McCarthy**, and **Kay Osmond** kept the "shuffler waitresses" hopping.

And on the very same evening, everyone seemed to enjoy the tunes of Perry Como's era, thanks to **Joan Geiger** for finding our performer!

Thanks to almost every Canadian in the Cove who worked hard on their annual dinner. We all enjoyed the evening!

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Volunteers were busy helping to load aluminum into a trailer. Phil Tarpley was directing the adventure that ended in recycling. The profits go to the Old Timers Club for their wonderful luncheons. Thank you.



Have a wonderful Valentine's Day and enjoy Cupid's spirit of Love and Friendship!

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## February Birthdays

*An old fart is as good as a new one*

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02 Wanda Spetz

03 Pat Schmidt

03 Gery Hart

04 Fern Deschamps

04 Patty Racette

06 Nickolaus Volk

06 Dolores Norado

10 Lila Mussman

11 Beverly Hamel

12 Beverly Park

13 Billie Ballentine

13 Cleve Ballentine

13 John Murtha

13 Ralph Laidlaw

14 Marge Lang

14 Mary Cameron

14 Terry Campbell

14 Bob Potter

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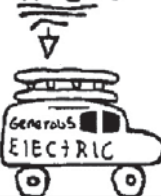
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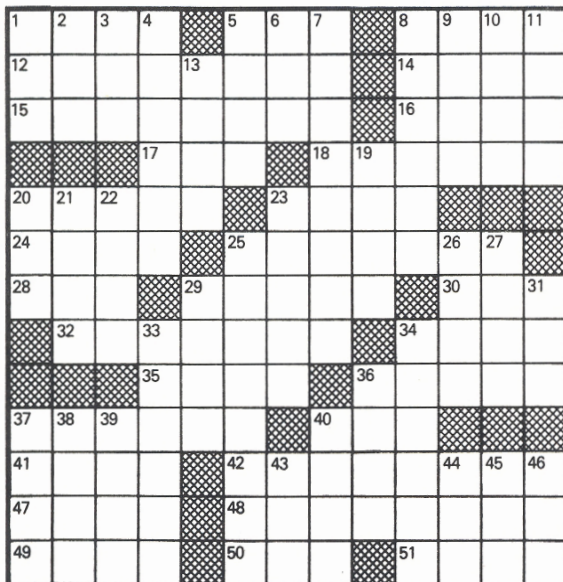
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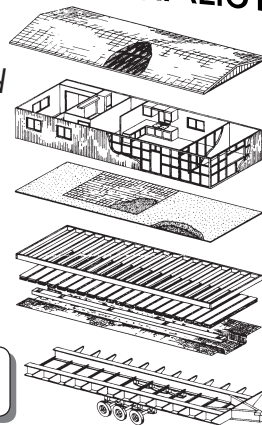
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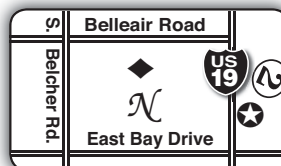
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09	Betty & Bernard Duffy .....	66 years
09	Janice & Gerry Zebley.....	6 years
13	Carol & Bill Nygard.....	56 years
14	Cathe & Joe Golf .....	11 years
16	Dolores & Patrick Norado .....	59 years
19	Joan & Walter Martin.....	5 Years
21	Pam & Reade French .....	45 years
25	Nina & Bob Larsen .....	48 years
29	Eva & Tony Galindo .....	20 years



*Dolores & Patrick Norado*

## Hudson Dinner Show

*By Betty Chase*



**O**n Thursday, February 11th, we will travel to Hudson to see “Seven Brides for Seven Brothers” The cost for this dinner/musical theatre is \$61.00. The sign-up sheet is on the clubhouse bulletin board. Please make checks out payable to Betty Chase. We will leave the clubhouse at 10:00pm and plan to return around 5:30pm. Space on the bus is limited to 40, so sign-up as soon as possible. Any questions call Betty Chase.

## Valentine Dinner Dance

*By Janet Pendino*



We are pleased to announce that we will be having our Second Annual Italian Valentine Dinner Dance on February 13. There are a limited number of tickets available and the sale of tickets began on January 27 prior to the Old Timers' Luncheon. The price of the tickets is \$9.00. The menu will be posted prior to the ticket sale on the clubhouse bulletin board. The meal will include a 'wine, beer, and soda' bar!

“Sound of the South” will be the featured band and will play from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. They will play dinner music while we are eating and later play enjoyable dancing tunes!

As a reminder please remember that this is a sit-down dinner, with no need for anyone to come in early and do the ‘set-up’. The table service will be furnished, and the tables all ready for our ‘guests’. Your ticket has the table number on it, and you choose the table when you purchase the ticket. Enjoy your Valentine’s Treat!





## The Second Annual 90'S Bash

By Betty Chase



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**O**n Saturday, February 27 at 5:00pm we will be honoring Americana Cove residents that have attained the prestigious age of *ninety and plus!* The Kitchen Krew Klub will prepare a chicken dinner with all the trimmings. Nancy Hubartt is in charge of "invitations". Claire Mosakowski will host the entertainment. Photography of our guests will be provided by Mary Bickhart and Nora Adell Andrews. The ACA executive committee will provide gifts to our guests, some of which have been designed by our own members of the Crafters' Club. Tickets will be \$8.00 and can be purchased beginning February 3rd preceding the ACA Luncheon from Nora Adell Andrews.

## Line Dancing

By Norine Fisher



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**L**ine Dancing is well underway after 9 months of vacationing and a 'new year'. The dancers are back in step to all our favorite songs. The great thing about line dancing is the variety: like cha-cha, waltz, polka, and country. You can do all these dances at any dance party without a partner. If you would like to join our dancers it's best to have had some line dance experience. We hope to see you at the clubhouse every Monday at 12:30pm.

## Old Timers

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**R**EMINDER: Blood Pressure will be taken before Old Timers Luncheon in the Atrium at 11:00 am by Grace Tighe and Dianne Massey. The Veterans Plates for the Plaque are being engraved and should take 4 to 6 weeks. Please check the list on our bulletin board in the community room to make sure your name is listed and the spelling is correct.

Old Timers is sponsoring the Italian Valentine Dinner Dance with Janet Pendino. Last year was a fabulous dinner. Don't miss out this year!

Sincere thanks to our Clubs and Individuals that have stepped up to help with the luncheons. I'm thrilled to say we have it covered for the season.

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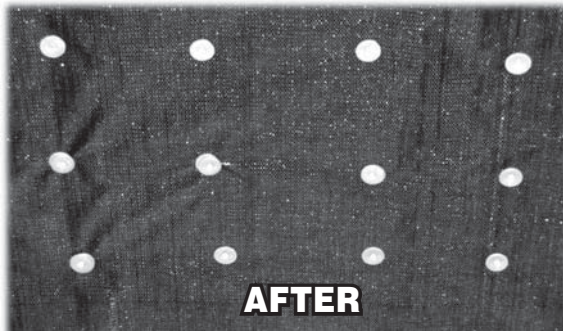


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At our February 24th meeting Claniece Moore from Mederi Care Tenders will be available to speak with us. Don't Miss It! Her office is in Pinellas Park.

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## ACA News

By Paul Line, President



We're happy to be back in beautiful Americana Cove. Sorry we brought the cold from Canada but it will get warmer. We had our first Council meeting of the New Year but then had to cancel the ACA luncheon due to the water leak in the clubhouse. We will have our ACA Council meeting on Tuesday February 2nd at 10:00 a.m. Please, all Clubs send a representative. The ACA luncheon is on Wednesday February 3rd at noon. Meet the Candidates Night went well and now we have three new Directors. Congratulations to all and good luck in your new adventure. The microphones are working great and we have more plans for our sound system. Don't forget the Italian Dinner and Dance on February 13th. Brews & Bratz by the Cue Club is on February 20th and of course our 2nd Annual 90's Plus Dinner is on February 27th. If you know of a resident in the Cove who is 90 and over, please inform Nancy Hubartt. We will be having the ACA elections next month, so if you are interested in helping out, please let us know. Enjoy your time in our paradise.....Americana Cove!!!

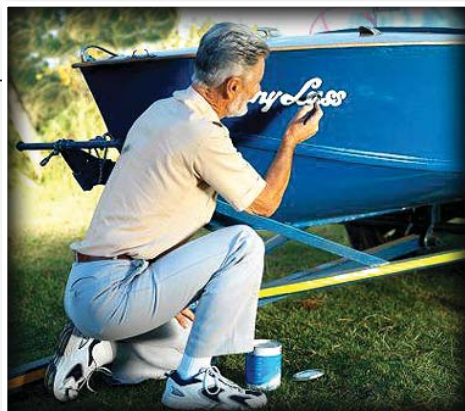
## Boat Club

By Rick Lopez



February in Florida is an exciting time in which the weather starts to warm. After a cold January our boats are ready to hit the water but we need to do this safely. Our speakers for the February meeting will be the Power Squadron of St. Petersburg. They will give us a talk about boater safety and enjoying our wonderful waterways safely. After our meeting they are offering free boat inspections to make sure our craft is ready

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for the next boating season. Bring your boat to the clubhouse Marina by trailer or water for the inspections. Whether you're a boat club member or not this will be a very interesting presentation so please plan to attend. I am also pleased to announce that our boat club will be sponsoring the Island Bash Dinner Saturday, March 6, featuring a steel drum band, The Island Boys. So dig out that flowered shirt or Mumu or both, and your dancing sandals for a shish kebab dinner. Tickets go on sale starting at our February 6 meeting for \$10 each. Everything you need will be provided except the shirt and sandals. Hope to see you there!!

## Duplicate Bridge

*Al Wingrove, Director*



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### Sunday, December 13, 2009

1. Lucille Laberge/Roger Laberge
2. Anne Kocher/Joy Slepín

### Sunday, December 20, 2009

1. Gerri Bassett/John Bassett
2. Milene Wingrove/Al Wingrove
3. Lucille Laberge/Roger Laberge

### Sunday, January 03, 2010

#### North & South

1. Shirley Beauchamp/Jo Waldron
2. Anne Kocher/Joy Slepín

### Sunday, January 10, 2010

#### North & South

1. Linda Cook/Irene Schoetker
2. Gerri Bassett/John Bassett



### Sunday, December 27, 2009

1. Lucille Laberge/Roger Laberge
2. Irene Schoetker/Joy Slepín
3. Milene Wingrove/Al Wingrove

#### East & West

1. Susan Audy/Jackie Lessard
2. Milene Wingrove/Al Wingrove

#### East & West

1. Milene Wingrove/Al Wingrove
2. Pat McCarthy/Claire Wetherell

## Cove Riders

*Diane Brinker, President*



Our desire is to have the Cove Riders made up of neighbors who want to experience the thrill of riding, socializing with a group, raising money or participating in charitable causes. Meetings are the third Sunday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Atrium. We are hoping for some sun and warm weather in February to get out and put some miles under us! Brrrrr.... way too cold in January for riding. Our committee is working hard on the logo and we hope to vote in February. All ride suggestions are welcome. Come out and check us out.

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## EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Tues., Feb. 2, 2010, 9AM to 2PM, **WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**. Ranch Mobile Clubhouse, Lake Road off of 142nd Street. Flea Market, sandwiches, pastry, coffee.

Sat., Feb. 6, 8A - 2P, **ANNUAL WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**. Eldorado Village MHP at the clubhouse. 2505 East Bay Dr., Largo

Feb. 6, 2010, 8A - 2P, **BAZAAR**. Silk Oak MHP, 28488 U.S. Hwy. 19 No. Clubhouse. Crafts, furniture, jewelry, clothing, glassware. Bake Sale & Lunch available.

Sat., Feb. 6, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., **FLEA MARKET**. Teakwood Village East MHP, Largo (Missouri Ave., behind K-Mart). Something for everyone. Lunch available.

Feb. 6, 2010, 8 AM - 1 PM, **IN-PARK GARAGE SALE**. Shangri-La MHP, 249 Jasper St. W, Largo (behind Stacy's). Something for everyone, refreshments, raffles.

Sat., Feb. 6, 8:00 - 1:00, **GIANT SALE!** Lincolnshire MHP, 1071 Donegan Rd., Largo, 8th Ave. SE, east of Seminole Blvd. Rummage, baking, lunch.

Sat., Feb. 13, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. **BAZAAR**. Doral Village, 29250 U.S. Hwy. 19 N. (7/10 mile S. of Curlew). Two clubhouse's full. Clothes, trash/treasures, china, linens, electrical, etc. Morning coffee & donuts. Lunch at pool-side begins at 10:30 a.m.

Feb. 13, 8 to 2, **RUMMAGE SALE**. Regency Heights Clubhouse, 2550 St. Rd. 580, Clearwater.

Sat., Feb. 13, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. **CHURCH FLEA MARKET**. St. Dunstan's Anglican Church, 10888 126 Ave. N., (727) 581-1435. Furniture, housewares, jewelry, collectibles & more.

**Sat., Feb. 20, 2010, 9A to 1P, PALM HILL COUNTRY CLUB BAZAAR AND BAKE SALE. Palm Hill So. Clubhouse, 1800 Seminole Blvd., Largo. Food served. Lots of bargains, so come on over and find some treasures. Early admission at 8:30A, \$1.00.**

Feb. 20, 8 to 1, **TRASH & TREASURE SALE**. Serendipity MHP, on Hwy. 19 N. Home baked goods, food basket raffle, coffee & doughnuts. Lunch available. Come join us.

Sat., Feb. 20th, 8A - 2P, **MULTI-CARPORT SALE**. Ranchero Village, 7100 Ulmerton Rd on Belcher entrance.

**Sat., Feb. 27, 8:00 to 2:00, DRIVEWAY SALE. Clearwater Cascade, 9790 66th St. N., Pinellas Park.**

Feb. 27, 8AM - 1PM, **WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**. Lake Haven MHP, Paradise Island Clubhouse, Lake Haven Rd. between SR 580 & Virginia Ave., Dunedin. Furniture, jewelry, clothing, linens, glassware, books, puzzles, bake sale, raffle & more. Coffee, donuts & lunch.

Sat., Feb. 28, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. **WHITE ELEPHANT SALE**. Down Yonder MHP, 7001 142nd Ave., Largo. Furniture, glassware, pots, pans, linens, jewelry, and more. Hot breakfast available with coffee, tea, juice. Come early and enjoy.



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## Crafter's Club

By Annette Solomon



It's great to be back in lovely Florida and especially in Americana Cove. THANK YOU one and all for your prayers and get-well wishes. I want to THANK especially my "kid" sister, Marie Sirois, for filling in for me. Isn't she a sweet lady? THANK YOU Diane Turner and all the Crafters who supported her and each other.

The Bazaar was successful! Now we have sent entries to the Florida State Fair: decoupage plates, hand-made greeting cards, and lots of knitting and crocheting items.

Look for our new classes in jewelry creations, stuffing wreaths, crocheting granny squares, knitting hats, scarves, mittens and shawls. We will have classes also in creating assorted angels, and many more new surprises in the next few months. Look on the bulletin board in the clubhouse for dates to sign up for these classes.

Don't forget to visit our lovely display of assorted hand-made items for sale at each Wednesday luncheon.

A special day: February 8th at the regular Crafter's meeting we will be collecting all types of cereal, or any non-perishable food for the less fortunate. We would appreciate having you bring whatever you can share. Thanks!

We will also be getting started on plans for our annual Strawberry Social that is always such a gourmet delight!

You are always invited to attend our Monday night meetings and join in the fellowship of our group. Everyone is welcome!

Wishing each and everyone a holy, happy and healthy New Year!

## Cue Club News

By Brian Birch, President



This will be a busy month for our Club so I encourage all members to stay flexible and help out when asked... I am pleased to report the MEN'S and WOMEN'S LEAGUES are about half-way through their seasons and all is going well. Next up will be the Tournaments and from the look of the weekly summaries we'll have some excellent matches to look forward to. Please plan to come and support your favorite players and cheer everyone on. And...don't forget to check out the new look of our billiards room. We're very proud of it and hope you will be too. We have new table covers, new cue sticks, newly-installed bridge heads, racking spots and most importantly of all, two

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new plaques honoring life-time member Gary Ebert. A special thanks to his wife Joanne for the generous donation to our Club to help make all this possible. **Be sure to mark your calendars for two important club activities this month- on Wednesday February 10, 2010 we'll be sponsoring the lunch for the Old Timers Luncheon. And then, on Saturday February 20, 2010 we'll once again host our annual BREWZ & BRATS event in the Clubhouse.** Tickets will be on sale for \$6.00 each, at luncheons, bingo, at League nights and from either **Nora Adell Andrews (528-9888)** or **Nancy Hubartt (525-0571)**. We really hope you'll come join all the fun. Last of all, I'd like to thank all the members and friends who helped out along the way this month- we couldn't have done it without you, and we appreciate your willingness to pitch in when we needed it the most! I look forward to seeing you at our **regular business meeting on Monday, February 1, 2010 in the Atrium at 10:00am!** See you there!!!

## Garden Club Trip

By Betty Chase



On February 23rd the Garden Club will sponsor a trip to the "Roaring 20's Pipes and Pizza". The trip will include a visit to the South Florida Museum which includes Parker Manatee Aquarium, Bishop Planetarium and the natural and cultural history museum.

Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. The cost is \$44.00. We plan to leave at 10:45am and will return about 4:30pm. This trip is hosted by Betty and Jim Chase. Any questions please call the Chase's.

## Hobby Shop

By Rick Lopez



The Hobby Shop has now installed the new code on the door. If you are an active member of the shop you will receive the new code. If you wish to become a new member just contact Rick Lopez at 727-510-6870 and we will get you signed up. If you need help with a project or instructions on how to use the equipment safely, please contact any member of our club. Remember, if you are cleaning out your sheds and have any old tools, nuts and bolts, or any usable equipment, please donate them to the hobby shop instead of the dumpster. Just contact Rick Lopez for pickup.





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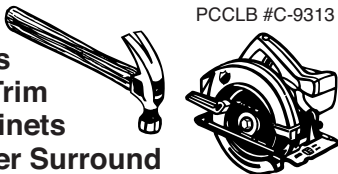
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## Red Hat Chilies

By Adele Seaman



The Red Hat Chilies will meet in February on the 18th, at 6:30pm, so mark your calendar. We are planning a evening of Nickel Bingo Games. Bring your nickels or small change and enter into the fun. Nancy Hubartt will be the caller. Refreshments will be served.

Valentine's Day will be over but your red (and purple) will be in fashion! See you there!

## Shuffleboard Club News

By Jo Waldron



Brrrr, we are still in the clutches of our winter freeze as I write this, between the Christmas break and the cold spell we have been off about a month and we're all anxious to get back on the courts I have a few dates for you to jot down on your calendars. The park tournament Singles will be on Saturday, February 13th This year, the Novas and the "B" players will have separate matches. It will be Nova's against Nova's and the same for the "B" players. Then on the following Saturday, February 20th, we will have the Doubles. Please, Novas, be sure to sign up. Everyone has an equal chance, and win or lose, it's all fun. We will have "sign-up" sheets at our February meeting. If you don't get a chance to sign up then, the sheets will be on our court bulletin board. Be at the courts by 8:30 a.m., games will begin at 9 a.m. We are fortunate to have Barbara Henson as Tournament Director again this year. She is a professional and does a great job. Please be on time for the games and ask Pat McCarthy beforehand how you can help get the courts ready for play. Bring your own lunch or run home. No lunch will be served, but we will have coffee and donuts before the games begin. On February 24th we will have our cocktail party: cocktails at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. in the clubhouse. Lee Southern will be providing our dance music. It will be a potluck dinner and the team Captains will coordinate the passing dishes. This will be discussed at our February meeting. Don't forget, our meeting is February 6th at 8:45 a.m. in the Atrium. One more note to add to your March calendar: our trophy party will be held in the Atrium on March 27th. This will be a catered affair. Time and detail will be discussed at the March meeting. Next month I will give you the dates of all the league tournaments and trophy parties. As always, March will be a busy month. **Sil Oliveira and Nick Misciagna finished 1st in the Main event in a State Tournament at Clearwater. Congratulations!**



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