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PINE LAKES HOA II

Heino Puidak

For those that missed our Annual HOAII Meeting in January, Linda Baker and Mike Gloss retired from the Board at the end of their terms and Gary Nicolini resigned mid-term for personal issues. *On behalf of the Pine Lakes community, we thank them for their service on the Board.* We announced the 2026 Board of Directors. Denny Miner joined the Board as Vice President, Leigh Ann Southard, Heather Vetter and Ron Thoreson remain on the Board as Treasurer, Secretary and Director, respectively. Yours truly as President. There was no need for an election as we had more open seats than volunteers to fill them. **Our Board now has only 5 Directors.**

I have struggled to increase HOAII membership this last year. In too many conversations, residents didn't feel there was any value to joining the HOA. What is the HOA doing for me? So, we are going to work on that by doing a better job of information sharing.



We will use the Pine Lakes/Lake Fairways Facebook page more to inform you of meeting dates, agendas and minutes. We are already working on updating our portion of the ourpinelakes.com website. You will hear from us at Coffee Socials and Breakfasts. Our monthly Board Meetings are now called Board and Membership Meetings. One portion of the meeting covers Monthly

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SPEEDING on our Pines Lakes roads is increasing. *Why are you in such a hurry?*
PLEASE slow down to our 20mph limit so we can all stay safe. **THANK YOU!**

ELS Liaison Meeting issues. You'll hear about all the issues we're addressing and updates on each. Please, do not use Facebook to report problems. ELS does not read or follow our Facebook pages. Use the Action Request Forms in the Clubhouse. Board and Membership Meetings will take place all 12 months – no summer hiatus. Many residents live here full time, ELS works here full time, and problems arise full time. We want to be in touch with you full-time.

Enjoy our paradise!

PINE LAKES ESTATES HOA

Pat Stanley

We held our annual meeting on January 12th and thanks to a nomination from the floor we got Rick Hargrave to volunteer and now have a complete board.

Bob Godek (President) 407-209-6532

Rick Hargrave (Vice President) 317-696-6744

Pat Stanley (Secretary) 443-966-4147

Wendy Saniti (Treasurer) 239-600-0272

Brad Colvin (ARC Chairman) 402-659-4035

Thanks to DeDe LaBelle (Election Coordinator) and her committee.



A very special thank you to Cindy Ahrens, our retiring Secretary, for all the hard work while on the Board.

Remember, *any changes to the outside of your home need to be approved by the Architectural Review Committee.* If you have any questions, contact Brad Colvin.

We are reconvening our communication via e-mail project. If you have any questions, contact Rick Hargrave.

CERT

Mike Gloss

Our Pine Lakes CERT team welcomes our newest member, **Nick Beatty**. We appreciate his commitment to our community.

The smoke alarm installation for those that signed up at the Fire Safety Seminar is going well with over 3/4 of the scheduled requests being completed. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, all non-specialty alarms, will be installed.

As a reminder, we have a place for anyone who is interested in volunteering. There are always ways to help that do not require physical strength.

Mike Gloss 330-524-1292



Please be sure *house numbers* are properly placed on front of home. This is essential for emergency services, visitors & package deliveries.



POOL PARTY

Jo Orvik

There is a full schedule of fun *Sunday pool parties in Pine Lakes from 12-3 for the month of March*. Heart to Heart will start off the month on the 1st. DJ Ray will be great entertainment on March 8th. The ever-entertaining Brian Willis will DJ on March 15 and Linda LeClaire will entertain us on March 22. The great guitar player and singer Jon Hamli will close out the month on March 29. As always there will be great food for sale until 2 and there will be chances to win Split the Pot. Come and have some great afternoons.



BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Kim Paulson

It's March already and Spring is almost here (March 20th). With the arrival of Spring comes some cleaning and organizing. We will be organizing the holiday decorations that have already been donated for our annual sale in the coming weeks at our storage units. This is a big job, and we appreciate all of the help with this project.

If you are doing any Spring Cleaning and have holiday decorations that you no longer use, let any member of the Beautification Committee know. We are always collecting items for the Holiday Sale in November.

The Committee would like to give a huge shoutout to Lora and Tom Liptak this month. They graciously volunteered to re-stain the tiki tables around the pool area and did a fantastic job! Thank you again! Also, a big thank you goes out to Dottie Godek who was able to sell some holiday décor and donated the money to our committee. Thank you!



The Beautification Committee is still working out details for our first event in late April. We will let you know the details once they are ready. We will also be celebrating the 4th of July at the pool with food and music (and hopefully no rain!) and we have a date in August that we are gathering ideas for having another fun event. Stay tuned!

As always, if you would like to be part of the fun on the Beautification Committee, please contact Becky Gloss. We are always looking for new members who want to help with our events and with making our community a nicer place to live. Thank you!



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OHIO NIGHT

Dianna Baughman

Potluck Dinner/Dance with music by The Echo, a 5-piece band, **Saturday, March 7th with doors opening at 4:30.** Chicken and dessert provided so please bring everything but dessert! If you haven't purchased your tickets yet, you'll miss the best party of the season, just ask around. ***You don't have to be from Ohio,*** but we do know how to throw a party! Tickets are \$15 pp BYOB no setups. **Call John Houser 810-434-7160 or purchase at Club House on Saturdays.**



LINE DANCING CLASSES

Linda LeClaire

Dance develops strength, fluidity, flexibility, stamina and balance. Besides all that 'good stuff,' it's fun! So, join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Pine Lakes clubhouse. Line dancing is a great way to exercise your mind and body and meet new people.



Additionally, an article from 'The Learning Loop' says if you want to fight depression, just dance.

Forget the treadmill, if you want to beat depression, just dance. That's a message from a landmark Australian study analyzing data from 218 trials and over 14,000 people. Researchers found that while any kind of exercise helps, dancing delivered the biggest and most consistent drop in depressive symptoms, outperforming walking, jogging, yoga, tai chi, strength training, and even standard medical treatments like antidepressants or talk therapy.

Please wear closed-back shoes – **no open-back shoes or flip flops!**

Any questions, call me - Linda LeClaire 239-849-0459.

Tuesdays: Beginners – 10:30 – 11:40 -

Intermediate: 11:45 – 1:00

Thursdays: Beginners – 11:00 – 11:55 -

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90'S LUNCHEON

Judy DeLonge



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Call Judy DeLonge in Pine Lakes
or
John Donahue in Lake Fairways
if you need assistance or have questions.

HAND & FOOT

Sharon Rondeau

Come play Hand and Foot every Tuesday at 6:15 pm in the card room. If you have never played, it is very similar to Canasta. You don't need to come with a partner, just show up! We play two games a night at \$0.25 per game. *Any questions please call Bill Roberts at 239-898-6308.*



PINE LAKES THEATER

Brenda Bianchi

People are still discussing last year's Christmas show and sing-along. It was really successful and so much fun. Thank you all for making it a huge success with your attendance!

We are delighted to announce to you that the Pine Lakes Theater group is presenting another exceptional production. For those familiar with "The Shadow; Burns and Allen; Abbott and Costello; Buster Brown Jack Benny" or listening to a baseball game while families gathered around the radio, you must remember the significance radio played in past generations. The radio is a still a positive relevance today.

The Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways production of **The Radio Show** is coming to you on **Friday, April 10 at 7:00 P.M. at Pine Lakes, Saturday, April 11 at 7:00 PM. at Lake Fairways and Sunday, April 12 at 1:00 P.M. at Pine Lakes.** The cast is made up of Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways residents. Please note these dates are changed from the article in the February edition of Whispering Pines.

The Radio Play is a lighthearted sample that is a charming and entertaining production about a successful radio

station. The stories were selected by our own residential survey of past favorite radio shows. Just come, watch and tune into Station PLLF in April. More detail in April's Whispering Pines.

Tickets are \$10. Contact Barbara Demaree 765-744-0565 by text or phone message.



CORNHOLE / BEAN BAG TOSS

Sharon Rondeau

We play corn hole every **Tuesday at 3:00 in the clubhouse ballroom.**

You don't need a team, just show up. We randomly draw numbers for teams each week. We play best 2 out of 3 and that team moves on to play the other winners of 2 out of 3. If you don't have the stamina to play all games, someone else will play and you can rest. It's all about having fun and getting a little exercise. The men play from 27' and the women play from 23'. It usually takes about one hour to play depending on how many players we have. *We hope to see some new faces!*



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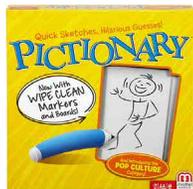
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PICTIONARY

Kathie Needham

We play Pictionary every Thursday night at 6:30 in the card room. It costs \$1.00 to play. We draw numbers for teams. Each team member randomly picks a card with a subject to draw, and their team tries to guess what they are drawing. We have a lot of laughs over some of the drawings! We are all laughing with you, not at you! You don't have to be an artist, none of us are, just come and have some fun. **Must be 16 years of age to play!**



CRUISE CLUB

Dianna Baughman

Great time on our cruise, from trivia on the bus, Happy Hour at Eden on beautiful ship Beyond, Martini Bar and dancing with headphones to 3 types of music, winning at the casino (my daughter's actual jackpot) along with Linda Lamonica who ended up ahead, and even the captain watching one of the entertainers. Ask anyone about the shows, fantastic productions, best EVER! Come to our next Cruise Meeting Friday March 6th 1-3 in PL Activity Room to check out our next cruise to St John's, Dominica, Martinique, and St Maarten January 8-17, 2027, on Celebrity Eclipse. Hope to see new faces joining our fun group. **Pictures page 23.....**



WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Linda Baker

The March meeting is Thursday March 5, doors open at 6:00 – Voting on Charities and Soup Night!

A great time was had by all at the **Joint-Venture Veteran's Club-Men's Club-Women's Club Superbowl Party!** And Superbowl Commercial Bingo was great fun! Thank you to everyone that attended. We look forward to our clubs working together on future events.

Thank you so much to everyone that came out and made the **Fashion Show** a big success!

The **World-Famous Treasure Sale** lived up to its name! What an amazing day! Thank you to everyone that spent tireless hours putting this event together.

March 13 is the return of the **Super Fun Singo-Bingo!** Tickets are \$10 and are available at Men's Club Breakfast, Coffee Social and Box Office.

Our **April meeting will be held on Thursday (4/2/26), doors open at 6:00pm, meeting starts at 6:30pm** – Pizza party and swearing in of officers.

How about something new? We will be hosting a **Kentucky Derby Party on May 2**, stay tuned for more details.



Our **Mother's Day Luncheon will be held Saturday May 9**, more info to come.

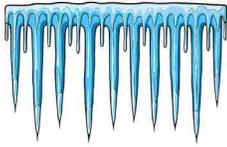


We meet on the first Thursday (usually) of each month, September through April, in the Pine Lakes Clubhouse Ballroom. All women (Pine Lakes owners and renters) are welcome to join the Women's Club for a \$5.00 lifetime membership fee.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Rick Saniti, President

Wow! That was a cold February! Frost on house roofs and car windshields, where are we? I'm looking forward to some real Florida weather.



In March, the Men's Club will host our **St Patrick's Day dinner and dance**. Music will be provided by the group "Goin Coastal" They'll throw in some Irish tunes along with their 60's and 70's music mix. The date is Saturday, March 14th, 2026. The doors open at 5, with a dinner of corned beef and cabbage or pot roast, potatoes, vegetables, roll and desert, from 5:30 – 6:30. The food will be prepared by Haney Catering who, along with some Men's Club volunteers, will serve everyone the entrée of your choice. Tickets are \$30pp and on sale at the coffee social, 3rd Saturday of the month, at the Men's Club Pancake Breakfast, 1st Saturday of the month, "Box Office" Saturdays, which are the Saturdays not covered by the social or breakfast. or by calling Rick Saniti at 952-484-1519.



Bingo continues into March, every Wednesday at 6pm with the doors opening at 5pm. Food and drink are available for purchase as well. Come win some money!

The Men's Club **Pancake Breakfast happens again at 8:30am on the first Saturday of March**, which is the 7th. We're thinking of adding some chocolate chips or blueberries to the cakes along with some whipped cream to sweeten them up. Come and see!

Some old news now, but way back on January 30th, our Men's Club Home Show was held. Ron Thoreson along with his wife, Bev, (who claims that she's a Men's Club auxiliary member), worked tirelessly over the last year, to put this show together and have it run as well as it



did. A lot of work and I thank them both for another tremendous and successful show!

Lastly, there's the **Pine Lakes phone directory**. The directory is published every year after all the changes and additions have been made and sent to Stinger Printing. If you're not in the directory and want to be or your details have changed or are wrong, get on the "Our Pine Lakes" website and fill out the form. Go to ourpinelakes.com -> Homeowners -> Telephone Directory, click on the form and fill it out. Thank you all for attending the Pine Lakes Men's Club events.



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VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION

Linda Baker

Our next meeting will be held **Tuesday, March 3, 2026**, at 1:15pm in the Activities room of the Pine Lakes Clubhouse. All Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways Veterans are invited.

Thank you to everyone that came out for the **Superbowl Party!** It was a joint venture between Veteran's Club, Men's Club, and Women's Club and it was a huge success!

Don't miss the dance on **March 21, "March with the Veteran's"** (*no marching will be happening, lol*).

The Joe Yoeman Band will entertain us for the evening. See the flyer for more information. \$10 tickets available at Men's Club Breakfast, Coffee Social, and Box Office.

** Have you heard of the **Brick Program?** It allows U.S. Military veterans and their families to honor their service by purchasing a brick, which is placed in the Veteran's Memorial. For more information, contact Steve Falck (239-980-9318). This is a great tribute to the Veteran(s) in your life!

** If you know of the passing of a Pine Lakes Veteran, please contact Tim 513-300-7877 or Linda 517-202-6219.

** If you believe you are a member but are not getting the meeting reminder emails, contact me (LLB5775@comcast.net) or 517-202-6219) to update your information.



"SPOTLIGHT ON OUR VETERANS"

Denny Miner

Jim Rastrelli
US Navy Reserves

Jim is another one of those understated veterans who feels he isn't really a veteran because of his service circumstances. I reminded him that he signed the same blank check as all veterans. His service story, I must admit, is unique.

Jim's father, Pete, immigrated to Chicago, from Italy where he learned the candy making business. A candy and ice cream maker hired him to work in Clinton, Iowa,

where Ida, Jim's future mother was attending nursing school. Jim was born to the happily married couple on May 9, 1937. Jim has three brothers and a sister. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in June 1955. While attending school, Jim worked with his dad learning all he could about the business.



In the fall of '55 Jim joined the Navy reserves, instead of waiting to be drafted. His service consisted of two years active and four years in the reserves. He was told that he would be able to choose when he did his active duty. He was thinking that doing his service this way would allow him to stay close to home and work in the business. Boot camp was for two weeks in the Great Lakes, June, 56. During one of the first formations, the Company Commander asked if anyone could type. Jim volunteered. (Everybody knows you **NEVER** volunteer.) It turned out to be a smart move. He spent most of his time in the office (air conditioned) while his buddies were out marching around in the heat.



To everyone's surprise, his unit was alerted that activation was imminent. Jim came down with rheumatic fever and was hospitalized in October 1956. The orders arrived during his last week in the hospital. When he went for his physical, the doctor discovered a heart murmur. The doctor told him to go back to his unit, turn in all his gear and never return to the duty station. He followed that advice. He received his honorable discharge on February 2, 1961, without serving any more than 2 weeks of basic training. Now tell me that is not a unique story. Circumstances.

Jim recalled that the candy shop where his dad worked was a teen hangout. The teens were important to the business, they spent money. A few years after his dad bought his own candy shop in 1939, again a teen hangout,

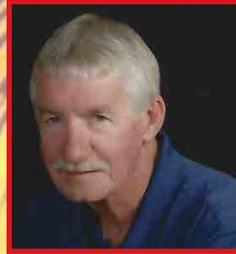
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the high schools consolidated and the business took a downturn. Pizza was still a novelty at that time, but Jim remembered his dad talking about how his mother, Jim's grandmother, made those kinds of things for treats back in Italy. His dad started making pizza. The business flourished.

Jim worked in the business, expanding into a dining facility and lounge with live music, until 1988. He went to work for Cracker Barrel and was assigned to the Williamsburg, VA store initially. Then to Seymour, Indiana for a few years. Finally, back to Davenport, Iowa as general manager where he retired in 1990.

Jim met his future bride, Karen, at work in his dad's shop in March 1957. She was only 15 but had her eye on Jim. On June 18, 1957, she turned 16 and they started dating. In February of 1960 they got married. Karen worked right alongside Jim through all those years in Clinton. They have three girls and one boy. They moved into Pine Lakes in 2015. Jim likes to play golf and bocce. Karen likes just being retired.

As with all these stories I have been honored to share, it was, again, a lot of fun doing this one.



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BOCCE

Jackie Bartilucci

Here we are mid-way through our Winter Season, and it feels like winter. Some of the games we played at the end of January and beginning of February really tested our love for the game. Our 8am games were played in 50-degree weather as well as the late afternoon games. But we persevered and had a great time. And it's finally warming up.

Talking about heating up, it's beginning to heat up with players vying for first, second and third place. ***Our last regular game will be held on March 18 and play-offs on March 25.*** Teams who place in the first three positions will receive a cash prize and recognition from the other players at the Bocce Banquet.

The Bocce Banquet will be held on April 1. All players from the Fall and Winter seasons (over 100 players) will be invited, along with their guests, to join in a delicious

luncheon. The winners from both seasons will be awarded at the luncheon.

Also, a reminder for everyone who uses the courts outside of league play. ***Please remember to return all the equipment to the proper location.*** Leaving the balls lying around is not a good idea since they can roll into the pond, never to be seen again. So, please think of the next person who would like to use the courts to play and return all the balls and paddles. I'm sure the gators thank you.



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TENNIS - THE \$20 BARGAIN

Frank Tivnan

This column has always proclaimed the rewards of tennis for seniors. Cardio and muscle improvement. Fun and frolic with new friends. Above all, that feeling of satisfaction that follows a healthy workout.

Tennis instructors in the area can charge \$90 an hour just to teach the basics. Pine Lakes Tennis Association members will teach the same things for free.

Four senior women in our community are rookies at tennis but are now in various stages of learning the game. Each has the benefit of a spouse, relative or friend working with them.

The newcomers, when asked what facilitates their development, stressed the importance of having welcoming and patient instructors who are readily available. For the student, no experience is necessary. Our 8 a.m. sessions are labeled "whatever" because whoever shows up will be welcomed whatever their skill level.

Could one of these women end up in the senior (?) division at Wimbledon? Why not? Every life deserves a slice of fantasy.

If Consumer Reports surveyed the best bargains in Southwest Florida, the PLTA \$20 annual membership

fee, with the first year free, would top the list. The fee costs less than a tank of gas.

When I used the municipal courts in Scottsdale, AZ, among the finest public courts in the country, they supplied me with racquets and a ball machine and charged only \$35 for 90 minutes. I was eager to pay for it.

So, \$20 for unlimited access is peanuts. Only skinflints would disagree.



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FAIRWAY/PINES PICKLEBALL

Ginger Mitchell • Club Notes from the Kitchen

My Mom, who lived to be 99, often said, “The older I get the faster time passes.” I don’t know if it’s me getting older but our season this year seems to be meteoric. I blinked and our end of year banquet is upon us. In case you haven’t bought your ticket here are the details.



The celebration will be **Thursday March 26 from 4-9pm**. Our entertainment will be by Trilogy. You must sign up on the sheet posted at the courts. It is \$10 per person for members and guests. Pay Louise when you sign up. For more details, please ask any board member

Please remember we have two positions to fill on the board - President and Secretary. Todd Quien is heading up our nominating committee assisted by Donna Kolb. They would love to hear from you if you are interested in serving. It is a two-year term. Speaking for myself I will say it has been fun, challenging and encouraging to be part of the group that helps our association thrive. Keep playing, learning and making friends.

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John Jenkins Vice President
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Louise Rutherford Treasurer
Ginger Mitchell Secretary



Jon Valentine, Roberta Chieppal and Julia Fraser winners of the Intermediate 2.5 Beginner's Class tournament

NIFTY NINERS

Sharol Liepe

We all were looking forward to winter ending ~ but the bright side of cold weather is we can blame a bad round of golf on the cold LOL



January 21st was the “*President Club Tournament*” and 7 of our members played and did an awesome job. I have enclosed a picture of these wonderful Ladies. We are all proud of you!

January 29th was a wonderful day of golf as the Pine Niners and the Nifty Niners joined together in teams of 4 or 3 and played a fun round of golf. T-Time was noon and the weather was wonderful. After golf we enjoyed Hamburgers and Hot Dog on the Grill and shared laughter, friendship, and story. Everyone was a winner because it was congratulations to those who actually won.

The silly Ground Hog predicts 6 more weeks of winter so of course February 4th started out chilly and breezy. The game was a “Shamble” and unfortunately, I was unable to get the winners ~ the positive is the day turned out to be beautiful, and everyone had fun and that’s really what the Nifty Niners are all about. Our last round before turning in this article was played is **February 11th** and we had two groups. One group was in a “Match Tournament” and were called the “*Elite Eight*”. The other group of ladies played a fun “Scramble”.

If you would like to join us, contact Donna Russ



MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Scott DeLonge

Thanks to all who played and congratulations to all winners.

JAN SHOOTOUT WINNERS

A Group

- 1 Steve Hainey
- 2 De St Phillips
- 3 Chris Tupper

B Group

- 1 Craig Greskoviak
- 2 Larry Sims
- 3 Frank Holzshu

JAN 15TH

CTP # 7 Boomer DeSantis # 12 Joe Demkowicz

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|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1 Jeff Furnia | 4 Scott DeLonge | 4 Daryl Lang |
| 2 Ed Clevenger | 4 Ed StPhillips | |
| 3 Bob Kingsley | 4 Joe Demkowicz | |

JAN 29TH

CTP #5 Kevin Dobbs # 12 Tray Stewart

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|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1 Tray Stewart | 2 Mike Hayes | 3 Del Keyes |
| Steve Hainey | Monte Gilliland | Jeff Penders |
| Ray Walton | Kevin Dobbs | George Whitaker |
| Larry Sims | | Bob Kinsley |

PRESIDENTS CUP

CTP # 3 Mike Kimbro #17 Charlie Schneider

Men's 18

- 1 Jerry Beamer
- 2 Phil Eberhardt
- 3 Daryl Lang

Women's 18

- 1 Bernice Furnia
- 2 Darlene Topp
- 3 Eileen Sims



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TEE TIME Ladies 18 Hole Golf League
Joann Cline

Even though there was plenty of activity showing on our February calendar, unfortunately, most of it took place after the deadline for this issue. At the time of this writing, we're still looking forward to most of our matches leading up to the final Club Championship rounds scheduled for the 20th and 21st of February. The only match played on the 11th, the Elite 8 round, was between Laurie Pellerin and Linda Kantz, vying for the chance to move on to the Final 4 on the 16th. Laurie Pellerin won the hard-fought match and faced Linda Wakefield on her quest for a place in the final championship rounds. Watch for all the winners in the April issue of Whispering Pines.

Once the results of our own Club Championship rounds and contests are in the history books, we can look forward to a new and improved competition with our friends from Lake Fairways. In the past, the tournament between Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways following their respective course championships, was known as the Interclub and was played as a competition between the two clubs. In an effort to make it more inclusive and a little more fun for all golfers, this year's event is advertised as an Intra Club Scramble Tournament. The food and fun will take place on March 6th and 7th.

CONGRATULATIONS LADIES' LEAGUE WINNERS

President's Cup Ladies' 18 Hole Winner
Bernice Furnia



February 7th Shoot-Out

Sue Hunt 1st Place

Darlene Topp 2nd Place

Linda Kantz 3rd Place

Six Lakes L.E.G.A.

2nd Flight:

Eileen Sims 5th Place

Laurie Pellerin 6th Place

4th Flight:

Mickey Danison 1st Place

January 28th League Play

Three very hardy girls, along with their Butterscotch Schnapps and Fireball, ventured out in the cold.

Sue Hunt

Mickey Danison

Darlene Topp

February 4th League Play Low Net

Deb Kimbro net 57

Linda Kantz 57

Lori Skinner net 62

Bernice Furnia 63

Laurie Pellerin 63

Joann Cline net 64

Darlene Topp 65

Closest to the Pin on 7: Linda Kantz

Longest Putt on 18: Bernice Furnia

February 11th League Play Team 2 Best Ball

Team Score 112

Janice Wilson

Khris Clevenger

Mickey Danison

Bernice Furnia

Team Score 117

Darlene Topp

Marilyn Hayes

Deb Kimbro

Jean Lang

Team Score 120

Linda Wakefield

Eileen Sims

Joann Cline

(Jean Lang)

PINE NINERS MEN'S NINE HOLE GOLF LEAGUE

Don Russo

January has been kind this year, weather has been great, and the golf has been stellar!! Have had great turnouts to get everyone ready for the tournament season coming up. The month was hi-lighted by our second mixed scramble with the Nifty Niners, capped with a great luncheon at the pool. The President cup, on Jan 21-22, in a great performance was won by Jay Nicosin, (aka) Mr. Fireball!!

WEEKLY RESULTS:

JANUARY 21 GAME TO PAR NET TOTAL NET LOW NET

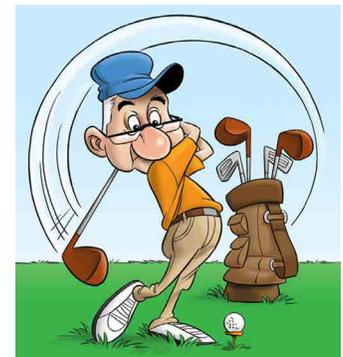
1 Rick Hargrave		-1	29
2 Jay Nicosin		-1	29
3 Ken Hunt		+2	30
4 Terry Kretz		+1	31
5 Bob Godek		+1	31
6 Dareld Schick		+1	31
7 Mike Gloss		+3	33
8 Don Russo		+4	34
9 John Clark		+4	34
10 Ed Bonnell		+4	34
11 Scott King		+5	35
12 Jack Roberts		+5	35
13 Cameron Penfield		+7	37
14 Mo Morrison		+13	43



JANUARY 29 Pine Niners/ Nifty Niners Mixed Scramble Part 2 WITH LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW AT THE POOL

GAME SCRAMBLE 4 PERSON

TEAMS	SCORE	TEAM	SCORE
TOP 6			
1 Donna Russo		4 John Clark	
Bob Godek	-4	Carolyn Bonnell	-3
Mike Gloss		Ken Hunt	
Kathy Greskoviak		Helen Machado	
2 Jamine Kretz		5 Gil Gabriel	
Terry Kretz	-3	Rick Hangarve	-2
Don Russo		Karen Proulx	
Pat Dieringer		Joyce Sloan	
3 Al Gaetani		6 Jay Nicosin	
Ruth Hovet	-3	Margi Hull	-2
Dareld Schick		Paul Proulx	
Mo Morison		Donna Oliverio	



more results next page...

PRESIDENTS CUP JANUARY 21-22

Congratulations to *JAY NICOSIN* on a great two-day tournament victory!!!

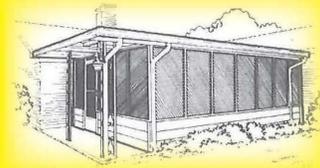
PLAYER	TOTAL TO PAR	DAY 1	DAY 2	TOTAL
1 JAY NICOSIN	-1	29	31	
2 RICK HARGRAVE	+1	29	33	
3 KEN HUNT	+2	30	33	
4 MIKE GLOSS	+6	33	34	
5 SCOTT KING	+7	35	33	
6 DARELD SCHICK	+7	31	37	
7 BOB GODEK	+8	31	38	
8 ED BONNELL	+9	34	36	
9 JACK ROBERTS	+12	35	38	
10 TERRY KRETZ	+12	31	42	
11 JOHN CLARK	+16	34	43	
12 DON RUSSO	+18	34	45	
13 MO MORRISON (DNF)				
13 CAMERON PENFIELD (DNF)				



FEB 5, we had our first rain out of the season.



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PANTHERS SOFTBALL

Matthew Heier

First of all, apologies for missing the February Whispering Pines. So, let's get you caught up on the team's activities.

The Panthers had three wins and four losses in January with wins over Del-Turos, Buccaneers and Lake Fairways.

Losses were to Lake Fairways, Herons Glen, Amigos and Magnolia.

The team also held a fundraising dance in January that was a huge success with the band 41-South. A huge thanks to all that supported the dance and thanks to Bill and Lori Skinner for keeping all the players on track to host this event. Thanks to the January dance the team has been able to purchase new caps and jerseys. Thanks to Allen Kerns and Larry Skinner for the design of our new jerseys.

Also, a special thanks for the anonymous donation of a Generac generator which the team raffled off.

So far February has not been kind to the Panthers. Three losses so far. Del-Turos, Herons Glen and the Amigos. Most of our losses have been very close games, just needing a couple more hits in the right places.

Check out Bill Skinners review after each game on the Pine Lakes Lake Fairways Facebook page along with great pictures taken by Lori Skinner. Thanks to you both.

Just a note to let everyone know that the Panthers do community volunteering helping with the Christmas decorations, Treasure sale, Women's Club tea and Fashion Show to name a few.

As of this article, the Panthers only have eight games left this season so if you haven't been to a game come out and cheer on your Panthers at Carmelita Park in Punta Gorda.

Thank you very much to our fans that come out to cheer. The team really appreciates all the support.

See you at the ballpark! Pictures next page.....

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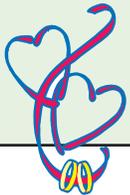
March Birthdays

1	Vincent Bartilucci Barbara Grabowski Linda Kerns Fran Stauffer Kathy Wiegand Denise Wright	2	Paul Teal James Varner Paul Zahner	3	Barbara Demaree Gen Rokosh Rick Shaw	4	William LeClerc Scott Perry	5	Thomas Keenan Heather Vetter	6	Thomas Kamensek Lynn Walker Ron Zamoider Mary Zoeller	7	
8	Don Russo Carl Wennberg Bryan Winkel	9	David Grover Tom Sager	10	Kenneth Bolhuis Nita Conner Jim Dalrymple Jerry Richards	11	Larry Hyskey Gaile Liddle Michael Patrick	12	Kathy McClennan	13	Penny Coufal Neil Grobman	14	Kevin Dobbs
15		16	Joe Luminiello	17	David Pingel Donald Robinson Douglas Round	18	Debbie Bruns Judie Greene Ann Hartnett	19	Nettie Latuhihin	20		21	
22	Tracy Andrews	23	Nancy Cuifalo	24		25	Cher Carrera	26		27	Greg Weickert	28	Charles Matthews Kathy Paterson
29	John Brekelmans	30	Betty Novillis Eileen Wrede	31	James Andrews Sharon Garcia Sandy Tupper								

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March Anniversaries

1	Denny & Joann Cline '69 Nick & Jackie Pinto	2	Mike & Janet Hawley '68	3	Kent & Paula Freeman '84 Steven & Dawn Hainey '79	4	Robert & Claudia Button	5		6	Nicholas & Valerie Pasarella '71	7	
8	Ricky & Cathy Hargrave '90 Thomas & Dorothy Keenan '69	9	John & Nancy Kelly Mickey & Valerie Radford '89	10	Kent & Yvonne Ecklund '89	11	Jerry & Sharon Phillips '96	12		13		14	
15		16	Earl & Linda LaFollette '85	17		18		19	Robert & Diane Anderson '60	20		21	Daniel & Carol Miller '09
22	Fred & Barb Willis '69	23		24		25		26	Klaus & Sharon Sohns '61	27		28	
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