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HOA II Annual Meeting

By Judy Hale

On January 20th almost 300 residents crowded into the clubhouse ballroom to attend the annual homeowners meeting for residents living on leased land. Why did so many people all at once become interested in the homeowners association? ELS has added a pass-on charge for garbage collection which we all believe to be an illegal charge since our leases say garbage collection is included in our base rent.

The meeting proceeded in the normal fashion with the reading of past meeting minutes and a treasurer's report. The association president, Judy Hale, reviewed the happenings of the past year. Those changes included the sad passing of board member, Marge Strauch, and the illness and consequent resignation of board treasurer Bob Morris. ELS also had personnel changes, most notably was the retirement of community manager Ed Southard who was replaced by Steve Foligno. ELS's refusal to discuss the large pass on charge for garbage collection and the subsequent hiring of an attorney and the filing of a complaint with the Florida Division of Business and Professional Rela-

tions (DBPR) were explained. At the time of the meeting, a disclosure meeting had been held with the attorneys for the two sides; a decision was made to go to mediation. The date of the mediation has not yet been determined.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of board members. Those elected for a two-year term were: Charlie Schneider, David Sharp, Bob Wirzburger, and Beverly Bynum. They join Judy Hale, Ruth Walsh, and Bob Konetzny to form the 2014 HOA II Board of Directors.

The meeting then took a short recess so the new board could meet and elect officers. The officers are: Judy Hale, President; Ruth Walsh, Vice President; Bob Konetzny, Secretary; and Beverly Bynum, Treasurer.

When the meeting resumed, the president opened the meeting to questions from the floor. In addition to pass-on charge for garbage, questions were raised about the pass-on charges for taxes. Most residents do not realize that ELS is taxed on the value of the business and not the value of the property. Although

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The biggest crowd of concerned homeowners in recent memory attended the January 20th Annual Meeting of HOA II.



The 2014 Board of Directors of HOA II from the left, Bob Konetzny, Secretary; David Sharp, Director; Beverly Bynum, Treasurer; Charlie Schneider, Director; Judy Hale, President; Ruth Walsh, Vice President, Bob Wirzburger, Director, not pictured.

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the value of the land and building may decrease, the value of the business is increasing (think higher lot rents). Consequently, the taxes on the value of the business increase each year.

After a number of questions about how the board was handling some of the problems, an invitation was issued to any resident to step forward and join the board to help. One resident volunteered, but it was later determined that she is not a home owner and therefore not eligible to join the board. By far the majority of the residents present were supportive of the board's actions.

Note from the Board: The HOA II Board of Directors would appreciate the support of the residents during good times as well as the difficult times we are experiencing now.

Editor's Note: The strategy suggested by our attorney was to pay the charges, contest them, and expect a refund if the courts or arbitration find in our favor. Both the leased land and estate homeowner boards are in agreement that a maximum effort to oppose ELS on this issue is vital. In the meantime, homeowners are making a good faith effort to adjust to the new trash, recycle, and horticulture schedule, and are continuing to pursue the extensive agenda of creative activities that has made Pine Lakes so popular.

Pine Lakes Residents

By Candlelighter Committee

Dear Pine Lakes residents,

With heavy hearts we bid farewell to Candlelighter Day that we started nine years ago. There are many memories we will always hold dear and close to our hearts. We wish to give our heartfelt thanks to every resident who always came down to support that special day. It wasn't easy to come to the conclusion that it was time to end this chapter of our lives.

Please remember that because we will no longer be hosting this day, it should not stop us from supporting them financially if we can personally. Thanks to all of the Pine Lakers who put their hearts and souls towards this effect.

God Bless you and your families.
The Candlelighter Committee

Nominees for the 2014 PLEHOA Board



Bob Morse I am 56 years old and have been married to Brenda for 34 years. In January 2011, we sold our home in Maine and became full timers here at Pine Lakes.

For the 18 years prior to that, we owned and operated a successful wholesale business that gave me

the management and negotiation skills needed to be an effective member of this HOA board. Additionally, I served six years on the Windham Zoning Board in my hometown of Windham, Maine (population 17,000).

I have both the time and energy to devote to this association. I am willing to help with the decision-making that is needed to make this community the best that it can be and have the dedication to implement those decisions. We need ELS/Management to understand that we not only want, but also expect them to work with us to assure we are getting the services we pay for. I thank you if you to choose to vote for me.



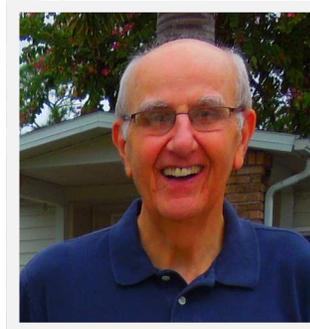
Luanne Putnam I am completing my second year serving on the PLEHOA Board. I chose to become involved in the association board because my husband and I purchased our home here in 1996 planning ahead for our future retirement. This community had everything we were looking for. I hope that I am still here 20 years from now and still feel the

same way.

I believe strong leadership and representation are needed to work alongside the HOA Board as we work together to protect and preserve our retirement community for all of our futures. The Liaison Committee meets monthly with management and we are governed by Covenants for the estate lots and a prospectus for the leased lots. Additionally, we have a contract with management for the estate lots and the leased lots have actual land leases. Having said that, we are all one community known as Pine Lakes Country Club.

My background is varied. I began in public education and ended up in business. Together, my husband and I were owners of an auction company, a real estate company, a pizza restaurant, and a full-service fine dining restaurant. All of that experience taught us both a strong work ethic and the necessary skills of working with the public that include compromise, negotiation and cooperation.

I encourage more of you to become involved in your board. I would like to see a true election take place where you have a choice in your leadership. I thank you for your past support and pledge to continue to work and represent you as I go forward.



Peter Talty My wife, Janice, and I have been homeowners at Pine Lakes for the past 18 months, and absolutely love it here. This is a unique community in so many ways, and it is the preservation of this great place that prompted me to seek a position on the PLEHOA Board.

The day before we closed on our home on Frenchman's Court was the day after I gave my last lecture, and retired from Keuka College in upstate New York where I was a Professor of Occupational Therapy. I received both my bachelor's degree in occupational therapy and master's degree in Health Sciences Education from the University at Buffalo. My career always had a dual purpose that included both practice and teaching. I still teach one day a week at Florida Gulf Coast University, and am licensed in three states including Florida.

I also gained a perspective as a manager and business owner as I built and operated my own private practice in occupational therapy that employed 30 therapists, and provided services to a variety of healthcare organizations spread over 8 counties.

I believe my experiences on numerous boards of professional organizations will enable me to be a major contributor to the work of the HOA. Preserving the standards and way of life of this wonderful community would be my focus. As Isaac Newton said, "If I have seen further it is by standing on the shoulders of giants." I seek the opportunity to serve on the PLEHOA Board, and thus stand on the shoulders of all the giants of the past and present residents of the Pine Lakes Country Club who built this fine community into what it is today.

A Timely Reminder from the PLEHOA

By Luanne Putnam, President

It is just about that time again....for the 360 inspections by management. These were last done at the end of August. Management will once again be reviewing the community for compliance of the covenants.

Specifically, we are reviewing Article 5.11, the second paragraph:

"Maintenance of the home's exterior and landscaping (except lawn mowing) shall be the responsibility of the owner. Every home must be power washed **at least** one time per year. The home must be maintained in a manner consistent with other homes in the community. In the event an owner fails to maintain his home site acceptable to community management, upon their inspection, a notice will be sent to PLEHOA for their concurrence or objection. If the association board agrees with the community manager's non-compliance decision, a written notice will be provided to the homeowner by community management. If the homeowner fails to correct the situation within 10 working days, community management has the right to assign the corrective work to their employees or sub-contractors to correct non-compliance situation. The cost incurred in providing labor to correct the non-compliance will be submitted to the homeowner for payment with 30 days. In the event the homeowner fails to pay the invoice within that period, the PLEHOA will be responsible for the debt and subsequent collection from the homeowner. The result of any non-payment will be placing a lien on the property on behalf of PLEHOA. The lien shall be of equal dignity to the lien for assessments created by this declaration."

Now would be a good time to take a walk around your property to see if you need any power washing, trimming, etc. Review your shutters and garage doors

for needed painting. Remember, while the covenants say to power wash at least one time, you may be in a location where more than once is needed.

PLEHOA Board of Directors' Meeting January 8, 2014

Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Pine Lakes Estate Homeowners Association was held on January 8, 2014. President Luanne Putnam called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. In attendance were President Luanne Putnam, Vice President Charles Matthews, Secretary Karen Fauci, Treasurer, Marlo Magnette, ARC Chair Bo Kromas, and 33 guests.

Secretary's report was read. One update to these minutes is that Tom Minahan will not be running as a Board member. Motion was made and seconded to accept report.

Marlo read the Treasurer's Report. We paid \$1,137.00 to attorneys to file various appeals for our five homes in foreclosure.

Regarding foreclosures, 2-F is slated to go up for auction on January 23rd. This property has been abandoned for over five years and it has cost the Board \$16,241.00 for maintenance and attorney's fees. When this property sells, we can expect to receive one year past maintenance or 1% of mortgage, whichever is less, plus legal fees and interest.

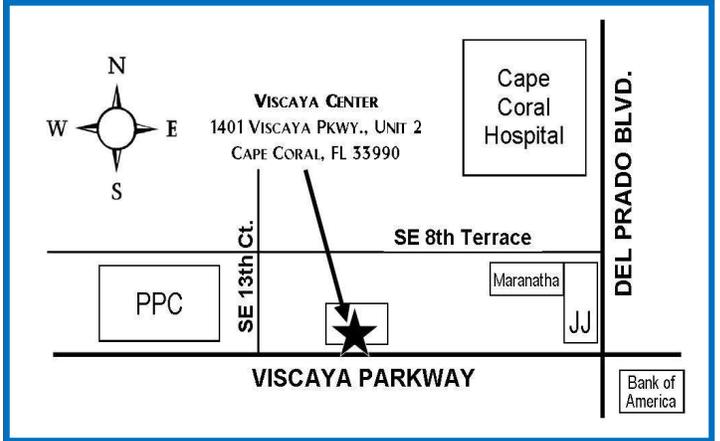
For the last three years, we have received \$33,265.63 in past maintenance and legal fees.

To date, Marlo has received 231 of the 281 maintenance payments for homes on Estate land. If these are not paid by the 15th of January, there will be interest and legal fees incurred by homeowners in arrears. The Board is required to pay ELS \$406,742.00 by Febru-

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ary 1st. So, it is very important for all bills to be paid.

Motion was made and seconded to accept Treasurer's Report.

ARC REPORT

- 24-B Replace cement driveway w/pavers
- 22-C Driveway color change
- 28-F Color change
- 26-J Color change
- 7-Q Color change
- 20-I Patio addition
- 29-C Color change
- 4-J Color changes and fence around AC
- 24-E Cart garage (approval pending permits from County)

Old Business

Lou Ackley asked the three candidates running for the Board to introduce themselves. They are now: Luanne Putnam, Bob Morse, and Peter Talty. It's not too late to add your name to this list. Please contact Lou at 738-0191.

New Business

The rest of the meeting was devoted to the new trash, recycle, horticulture rulings. To say that the directives coming from Management are lacking is an understatement. People were not happy with the lateness of garbage pick-up, but it is hoped that once the drivers have an understanding of what they're doing, this will become less of a problem.

Horticulture, on the other hand, is not something that will be resolved by the Waste Pro drivers learning the ropes. The current system setup is totally lacking in courtesy and consideration of the homeowners. Some homeowners take care of their own property on days of the week that work for them (i.e. it could depend on weather, outside commitments or health) and take the waste directly to the horticulture area. This means they do not have to worry about storing it out of sight as *Article 5.07 of the Covenants states that "Rubbish, trash, garbage or other waste materials shall be kept in suitable sanitary containers which shall be contained within buildings except for a reasonable period for refuse pickup, the night before or the morning of the day of refuse pickup."* Other homeowners rely on outside contractors. These contractors cannot be expected to take care of all their clients and have the waste on the front lawn by Sunday night. Therefore, the contractor will be forced to truck and dump the horticulture waste at their own expense which, of course, will be passed on to the customer. This, however, is something we are ALREADY PAYING FOR through our maintenance fees.

Luanne did indicate that she was informed that the

horticulture that is left on the edge of properties should follow the directions:

- Pine, straw and leaves in bags. No bags over 50#;
 - Palm fronds all laying in the same direction;
- Nothing on ground longer than 6'.

Homeowners were encouraged to fill out a *Resident Concern Form* expressing their concerns and frustrations and possible solutions. It is also recommended that if they feel they are not getting enough satisfaction directly from our Manager that they write to:

Judy Lounsberry, Regional Manager and/or
Dawn Rumpt, VP Property Operations
ELS
5100 West Lemon St., Suite 109
Tampa, FL 33609

The Board will also do all that it can to try and make what has become a very frustrating situation work for all homeowners.

We are hoping that ELS will begin work on roads as promised. If not, we can look forward to legal actions.

There was a question about why the Estate Board can't have more representation at the Liaison meetings similar to the Leased Homeowners Board. If we had more than two members at the meeting, it would constitute a quorum and this would then need to be posted and open to the public. The Lease Board has more members and, therefore, can have more representation without it being a quorum.

It was recommended that someone look at how quickly the lakes seem to be receding. There is concern that the retaining gates are either not closed or have been somehow compromised.

Marlo took a moment to thank everyone for coming as it is important for everyone to express their concerns and give the Board possible solutions to the challenges that are faced.

Motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE THE ANNUAL MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

PINE LAKES BALLROOM

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Fauci - Secretary

What Is Your PLEHOA?

By Luanne Putnam, President

With our upcoming annual meeting on February 10 and so many new residents, Howard Harrison asked me to write an article for the *Whispering Pines* explaining who we are and what we do. There is not a one sentence answer to that, but I will try to condense it simply.

Your HOA is an elected board of volunteers that represent you and become your voice to work with management, cooperate with the HOA II Board that represents the leasehold estates, and was to enforce the "Agreement" or contract that we have with ELS for our services and amenities.

The two most important documents that you should read if you haven't already are the Covenants and the Agreement.

The Covenants are a set of conditions and restrictions that are attached to the ownership of the land. When you acquired an ownership interest here in Pine Lakes, your signature at purchase constituted an acceptance, ratification, and agreement to be bound by the terms of the covenants.

Within the covenants you agree to pay all assessments and charges which specifically include the semi-annual assessment for the management contractual obligations for lawn maintenance, security gate, garbage, recyclable and environmental waste pickup and the use of the Country Club facilities.

The covenants also establish the rules and regulations pertaining to the architectural and environmental control that are designed to protect and preserve the beauty, quality, and value of the neighborhood.

The actual covenants are 12 pages in length and you should have a copy. They will soon be available on the Pine Lakes website www.ourpinelakes.com.

January Liaison Meeting

By Judy Hale

The meeting started with a discussion of trash collection. We all felt that the first week went pretty well considering the short time given to inform the residents. Horticulture waste disposal is another story. NOTHING was communicated to the residents so procedures were not followed and problems ensued. In addition closing the horticulture waste depot has made residents very angry. No resolutions were reached and this will continue to be discussed at future meetings.

Our road conditions was the next topic. We were again assured the resealing would begin in February. Steve has solicited a firm to estimate the cost of repaving all the roads. If this happens it would take place over a 5 to 6 year period.

A new cart path to Lake Fairways is being constructed at the east end of the two communities. This will replace the cut through that residents have been using through the woods and brush near the same spot. The cut through will be blocked as management feels residents will dump horticulture waste in this area.

The exterior painting of the clubhouse is continuing; should be completed by the next liaison meeting.

The air handler above the storeroom in the clubhouse has still not be repositioned.

Wood chips are still being dumped behind the Wake Up America parking area. Frank said the ELS is using the wood chips to cut down of unwanted vegetation along the 'green mile' at the east end of the community. The residents in the meeting felt that the dumping of the chips is unsightly and they should be used up more quickly.

Part of 35G's yard that was dug up for the new storm

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sewer drain was sodded.

Six new trash barrels were purchased for the clubhouse.

Electrical outlets by the stage were repaired.

Residents will be billed if ELS repairs their post light.

Attention was drawn to the fact that the new TV in the Pub is still not connected to cable.

The refurbishing of the golf score board is very attractive but not functional. The position of the plastic cover makes reading the posted scores impossible. This will be corrected.

The liaison meetings take place the second Thursday of each month. Residents are encouraged to talk to their respective board members about issues they would like to see discussed.

Notice to Residents

By Judy Hale

PLEHOA and HOAII boards would like to remind the residents that it is again time for 360s. Local ELS management is required by ELS Corporate to inspect all home sites from all sides (hence 360°). This is done twice a year and residents who have overlooked various maintenance issues are sent reminders. No one likes to send out these letters any more than residents like to receive them. So let's get all the home exteriors and the yards in tip top shape.

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Pine Lakes Residents

Goodbye to a Special Lady!

By Lois Likinay

A Special Lady, Bonnie, our concierge, left January 22, 2013. She heard all the complaints, booked your parties and tried very hard to solve your problems, always with a smile, for over six years. We will really miss you, Bonnie!!

We the people of Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways used her for a sounding board, and she listened. Did we do too much growling or not enough courtesy? Thank people before spouting off. Use a Thank you and be nice. We need a little more of that here in this beautiful community.



Bonnie, above front, was given a "best wishes" reception sendoff by leaders of the homeowners, sports leagues, and men's & women's clubs. Festive food was provided by Darrell, Pub Manager-Chef.

NOTICE

2014 Pine Lakes Phone Directory

Work on the 2014 Phone Directory has begun.

If you have **ANY** changes that should be included (i.e. phone number changes, new e-mail address, new listing, corrections, name changes, Organization (Club) leadership changes, whatever...) please have the changes submitted to the Concierge Desk **ASAP**

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If you know of anyone that may be interested in advertising in our directory, please provide contact information.

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Don't Bother Me! I'm Retired!

By John & Maura Alexander

I moved to Pine Lakes so that I could enjoy my retirement life and I'm not concerned about joining such serious things as **HOAll, PLEHOA**, or that thing called **FMO** (whatever that is). I want to play golf, tennis, pickleball, shuffleboard, bocce, cards, or paint, embroider, quilt, or exercise, square dance, line dance, or play Mah Jong, billiards, dominoes, or do Tai Chi, or read, or take dancing lessons, or do crafts, ceramics, or go to the Pub, shows, coffee socials, pancake breakfasts, pool parties, or act in plays, sing in the chorus and at Karaoke, join FISH and groups like the Women's Club or the Book Club or the Men's Club or the Computer Club, etc. and etc. I have so many things to do why would I want or need to join HOAll, or PLEHOA, or FMO (whatever that is)?

STOP! WAIT! All the above mentioned activities could disappear unless you do support HOAll or PLEHOA, or FMO (whatever that is)! These organizations **are your voices** in Pine Lakes and the state of Florida when you are out doing all the fun mentioned items above. They save you many headaches, trips to the Pine Lakes office, to Tallahassee and save you many \$\$\$ in legal fees. These organizations are your insurance policies against damage to your Pine Lakes lifestyle.

HOAll and PLEHOA are your voices here in Pine Lakes. They protect you by watching over your prospectus, lease agreement, or covenant and contract and speak on your behalf when ELS does not adhere to the promises made in these documents.

FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida) protects your rights under FS 723 and pays a lobbyist in Tallahassee, FL to alert us when bills are filed in the Legislature that will change our lifestyle adversely and advises us about bills being filed that

will better our life in manufactured home communities. FMO retains a lawyer and will provide legal assistance to communities that need this aid. If it weren't for FMO's backing of FS 723 in 1984 we wouldn't have legal protection specifically for manufactured home communities.

Rents, maintenance fees, pass-ons, and pass-throughs are costing more and more, communities are being sold to huge corporations, legislation is being filed that could take away our present lifestyle. **Today, right now, before** you do any of the activities in the first paragraph write a check to HOAll (\$20 a year) and give it to any Board member or phone them as I'll bet they will come and pick it up; Estate residents all join PLEHOA as a part of their covenant agreement; and be sure to write a check to FMO (\$22 a year) or call 727-530-7539 or email beth@fmo.org or call your neighbors Maura and John Alexander 239-543-9642 for an application for FMO membership (they will bring the application right to your door or tube).

When you've joined these critical organizations to keep your retirement happy, go and enjoy all that beautiful Pine Lakes has to offer. We are really not sorry if we bothered you because with your memberships we'll have manufactured-homeowners-**people-power** to overcome ELS-money-power.

Thank you.

Michigan, Indiana, Illinois & Wisconsin Night

Last year's Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin Party was a lot of fun and is looking to be again this year. So mark your calendars for March 2nd and be sure to buy your tickets at the Saturday morning coffee social. \$5.00 per person. It will be a pot luck dinner, so you need bring a dish to pass (no desserts please) and BYOB. Chicken, dessert, coffee and set up's will be provided. After dinner there will be music for dancing and as usual a few surprises.

Hope to see you there.....

Street Light Repair

If you notice a main street light out, please go up to it and get the location number off of it and then call (239-656-2300 to report it. LCEC will then locate the street light and repair it.



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Get Your Copies, It's Essential!

By John & Maura Alexander

Estate and Lease Land residents these are important documents that you should **have** and **understand**:

#1. It's important that every manufactured home owner **have** a copy of **FS 723** and **understand their rights** under Florida law FS 723. You may obtain a copy of the "Florida Mobile Home Act" by:

1. Calling toll free 800-226-9101 or 850-487-1395,
2. Or emailing Call.Center@dbpr.state.fl.us,
3. Or going to the web page WWW.Myflorida.com/dbpr,
4. Or addressing snail mail to Dept. of Business & Professional Regulation:
Div. of Florida Condominiums,
Timeshares & Mobile Homes
1940 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1030

Estate owners' rights also are written in **FL 720** which can be found on www.myflorida.org.

#2. Leased land residents should have a copy of their **Lease Agreement** and understand what they agreed to abide by when they signed the agreement. Did you put the lease agreement in a very safe place where you would be sure to know where it is? Is your lease agreement now not to be found anywhere so someone must have moved it from that "safe place"? Not to worry, go to the Pine Lakes Office and obtain a copy of that important document.

Estate residents may want to have a copy of their **Contract** with ELS. If you cannot find your original one because it's in that "safe place" please give Luanne Putnam a call 731-2414.

#3. Estate owners have a "**Covenant**", Leased land people have a "**Prospectus**". You should be familiar with whichever agreement pertains to where you live in Pine Lakes.

Leased land residents may procure their Prospectus, if they put their original one in that "safe place", from any of the addresses in paragraph #1 above.

Estate residents, in the future, may find a copy of their Covenant on ourpinelakes.com or they may call Luanne Putnam 731-2414.

#4. **We all need to join your HOAll or PLEHOA and FMO**, you really do need to join both of these, honestly you do. To join FMO call 727-530-7539 for the FMO office, or email beth@fmo.org, or call your neighbors

John and Maura Alexander 239-543-9642;

To join HOAll look up the board members' names in Whispering Pines or in the Pine Lakes Telephone Directory and give them a call. You can also find all the board members' names on ourpinelakes.com, click on "Governance". FMO, HOAll both want you for a member and are waiting to hear from you.

To summarize our "NEEDS": Lease land residents need to have and understand FL 723, their Lease Agreement, and their Prospectus;

Estate owners need to have and understand FL723 & FL720, their Contract and their Covenant

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Tenth Annual Leukemia Benefit February 9

By Luanne Putnam

The Beautification Committee along with the Women's Club is leading the charge for the Tenth Annual Leukemia Benefit. This very worthwhile event began ten years ago under the leadership of Elizabeth Morris. And she is still very involved in this year's event as well.

We are so excited about this year and if you do not have a ticket, you can get one on Saturday mornings at coffee or by calling Luanne Putnam at 731-2414.

The event runs from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 9th. We are serving a soup and sandwich lunch that is included with your ticket.

Come and shop the rummage sale where you will find an array of \$1, \$3 and \$5.00 items. There will be a shop with sporting goods and tools and another with jewelry and purses. And of course we have a Christmas corner and Art corner. Do you need a small appliance? We have it! We have furniture including end tables, coffee tables, chairs, lamps and even a breakfast set! And this year we have a Grandma's attic of sorts with strollers, toys, pak-n-plays, etc. All things to be ready for the grandkids when they come to visit.

And if you can't find what you are looking for in the rummage sale, walk through and bid in the silent auction! You will be amazed at the gifts and treasures you will find.

And then of course, you will be entertained by Dan Putnam in the live auction...but be careful not to scratch your nose....you may be going home with a treasure you never expected!

We have fun and for a great cause! Join us on Sunday, February 9th!

Thank You Pine Lakes Bell Ringers

By Pat Rotthoff

Sue O'Donnell and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who graciously gave of their time to ring the bells for Salvation Army. During the six days that Pine Lakes participated in this event we collected \$2431 and needless to say the Salvation Army was very pleased with these results. Thanks again for helping make this event such a great success.

Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Sincerely... Sue O'Donnell & Pat Rotthoff

Silver Bells Community Christmas Dinner Dance Another Great Success

By Connie Dalrymple

The Christmas dinner dance "Silver Bells" was a super night. It is important to take the time to thank everyone who helped with the sell out event. What a joy it was to work with Jeannine Gorman, Donna Weakley and Judy McClellan decorating the lobby and ballroom. Joan Shannon did the center pieces and June Davis helped with the wreaths on the lobby windows and Luanne Putnam was always there when needed.

Our sit down dinner was a success with the help of Bill Roberts, Tom Kamensek, Lenny Gorman, Ron Reeves, Jack Aeling, and Dan Prefontaine who were in the kitchen with the staff from the pub. Daryl and his kitchen staff were fabulous once again with compliments galore.

Dixie Aeling, Darinka Kamensek, Julie Howley, Margurite Prefontaine & Jeannine Gorman along with Daryl's wait staff from the pub are to be commended for the excellent service.

Frankie & Coletta Farina were on hand with 50/50 tickets, Bob DeMarco and Bill Roberts helped with the setup of tables along with Ann Reeves. We also are grateful to Steve Foligno for the financial contribution.

Our sellout event should also be credited to Ann Reeves who sold the tickets and produced the flyer "Silver Bells." Thank you Ann.

We would be remiss if we did not thank the community of Pine Lakes and visitors because without your attendance it would not have been a big success. THANK YOU.

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By Dixie Shaw
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To keep you on top of the February tennis activities, read on...

What	When	Where
Pine Lakes Winter Dance	Thursday, January 23, 5-9 pm, Sock Hop	Ballroom
A Night at the Races	Saturday, February 1, 6:30-10:00 pm	Ballroom
Lake Fairways & Pine Lakes Tournament	Friday, February 14, Saturday, February 15, 8:00-3:00 pm	Courts VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

What's the Score you ask...?

Matches: Wins and losses YTD as of January 20th (as reported by their captains.)

Red Team	Won	Lost	Ties
Pine Lakes Red	1	4	1
White Team			
Pine Lakes Ospreys	2	3	1
BLUE Team			
Pine Lakes Gators	3	5	1
Ladies SWIFT			
Pine Lakes Aces	3	3	2
Pine Lakes Dolphins	1	8	0

ELS Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways Tournament

It was crisp and sunny for the PL and LF Tournament but split evenly between the two communities both in participation and in winners. Lots of tiebreakers between the pairings and lots of fun. The complimentary monogrammed Pine Lakes Tennis towels were happily received by all participants and the free lunch was consumed with gusto. Way to go Pine Lakes Pub!! Thank you ELS and many thanks to the coordinators Joan and Byron Shannon and all their fabulous volunteers. A good cohesive effort!

ELS Tournament Results Ladies & Men's Doubles - January 17th Friday

Women - Tier 1	
First Place	Barb Flournoy
Second Place	Judy Judge
Tier 2	
First Place	Patti Loll
Second Place	Linda Neff
Men - Tier 1	
First Place	Bob Howland
Second Place (Tie)	Pete McGrath & Rich Newman
Men - Tier 2	
First Place	Henry Aubut
Second Place (tie)	Frank Farina & Ron Stevens
Men - Tier 3	
First Place	John Seiler
Second Place (Tie)	Ron Hasse & Bill Dwyer

ELS Tournament – Mixed Doubles - January 18th Saturday

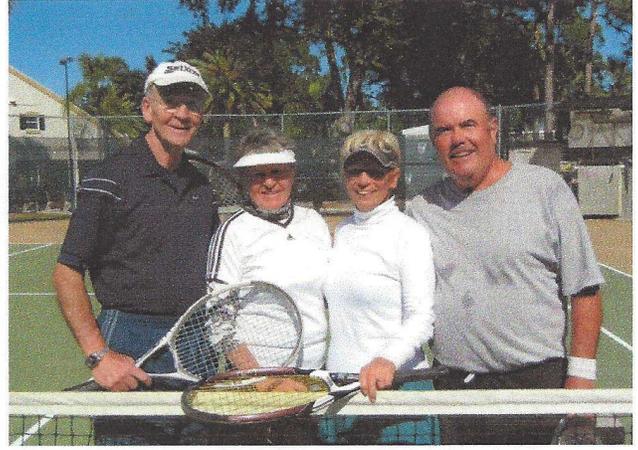
Mixed Ladies Doubles	
First Place	Phyllis Lyke
Second Place (Tie)	Sharon Reid & Jane Sawvel
Mixed Men's Doubles	
First Place	Bill Sawvel
Second Place (3 way Tie)	Bill Dillon & Frank Farina & Ken Yeager
Men's Doubles on Saturday	
First Place (Tie)	Jay Kraby & Earl Simard
Second Place	Don Wass



Tournament organizer Joan Shannon displaying the complimentary tennis towels to John Shaw.



Pine Lakes' Joan McGrath powering the ball in her very first tournament ever. Sharapova move over. Joannie won this one.



Happy tennis group!! L to R. Ron Stevens PL, Bev Hasse LF, Darinka Kamensek PL, Bill Dillon LF.

Photos by Bill Crawford

Did you Know?

- ❑ January 20th Tennis Meeting: The Tennis Association met to discuss and vote on a number of items. The votes were yes for four issues presented and a vote to table the fifth issue for reevaluation. For an expanded explanation see the Pinelakestennis.com website.
- ❑ **NOTE: Meeting day change** - Members are welcome to attend the Board meetings held the 1st and 3rd **WEDNESDAYS** of each month in the "living room". Attending will keep you informed about current issues in your tennis association.
- ❑ **WHATEVER** Tennis is still going strong. Our mainline summer tennis activity, *Whatever*, is still happening three days a week and still for all levels of play. Times have been altered to fit around the many winter season activities. Monday @ 2:00 pm, Wednesday @ 11:00 am and Friday @ 12:30 pm. Keep your game sharp and have fun by dropping in on *Whatever*. Check the tennis bulletin board for exact times and days. Contact mastermind Rick Tipmore for additional information.
- ❑ It's great to see Pine Lakes "Over the Hill Gang" out there hitting the ball. This group of octogenarians is an inspiration to all of us and validates the fact that active living extends the quality of life. Keep on Keepin' on!
- ❑ Have you heard this once or twice? Turn sideways, get your racquet back and put more power into your stroke.
- ❑ Let's send our prayers to those among us who are facing health challenges in their lives both here and back home. Get well soon!
- ❑ **Attractive, easy to use and informative!** pinelakestennis.com. The place to find information on strictly tennis events, team rosters, photos, contacts and by-laws. **Our email address is:** pinelakesnews@aol.com
- ❑ **Pine Lakes Tennis Sock Hop Alert!** Keep your eyes out for special appearances of the Supremes and The Temptations! Sock it to Ya! Also, has Elvis left the building???
- ❑ **VOLUNTEERS for tennis events please!!** You are what breathes life into these events. Without you our list of events is just a wish list. Please continue to step forward and volunteer for; cooking at the tournaments setting up tables at dances and cleaning up courts etc. **We need you!!!**

39 Degrees in Florida???

The Pine Lakes Dolphins bundled up and "shivered their way to the 9:30 am team practice on January 7th. Temperatures dipped down to the 30's and "longies", ear muffs and gloves came out in force. Those who believed the Chamber of Commerce brochures about winter in sunny SW Florida left their winter clothes in their Northern homes but innovation won out overrepidation and the motley group put in a full 1.5 hour practice. Captain Maggie Bishop led the group and Rick Shaw provided drills.

L to R: Diane Anderson, Captain Bishop, Patti Loll, Sue Buckhout, Dixie Shaw
Photo by Rick Shaw



Bocce News

By Kathy Tannenbaum

Bocce is now in full swing. Teams were picked at the sign-up meeting on January 8th and games have started.

We have 26 teams this season with several new and first-time players. We are using the new Bocce website to post results and keep everyone informed. If you are having trouble finding the website...go to "OurPineLakes.com" or contact a committee member. If you don't have a computer, the results will be posted in the clubhouse each week.

Awards were given out at our sign-up meeting to our Fall winners.

Bocce shirts, hats and visors are available for the 2014 season. Call Kathy Tannenbaum at 247-3517 for more information if you would like to purchase any of these items.

Good Luck to all our teams. Have fun and remember it is just a game.



(left to right)

1st Place: Joe Luminiello and Andrea Helms

2nd Place: Robin Horihan and Peter Talty (Not shown)

3rd Place: Jean Rourke and Elliot Doliner

Pine Lakes Men's Club Has New Facebook Page

By Pete Morais

This is the URL you can use to get to our Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/pages/Pine-Lakes-Mens-Club/1452983468249129

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TENTH ANNUAL LEUKEMIA BENEFIT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2014

11:00 AM ~ 3:00 PM

Pine Lakes Country Club Ballroom

We are looking for donated items for the sale such as household items, furniture, garden and yard tools, golf & sports items, purses, jewelry, holiday decorations and home decorator pieces...in other words... almost anything! (No clothing)

We also need cases of soda pop, beer and even wine if you can help out!

You can drop off items or call for pickup. Drop off at 27J on the driveway or at 29K (Luanne Putnam) or 18C (Elizabeth Morris). If dropping at 27J, please leave a message at 731-2414 so that we run over and put it in the garage right away.

Tickets are available for \$6.00 and include a soup & sandwich lunch. Call Luanne Putnam 731-2414 or Patti Lancelot 543-8056 or Elizabeth Morris 731-1406 for tickets. Tickets are also available at Sat. Morning Coffee Social.

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Men's Club's First HOME SHOW

By Pete Morais

At a recent Men's Club board meeting, Tom Minahan suggested we have a Home Show. The words were barely out of his mouth, and I couldn't believe what I was hearing. The ladies have their craft show, and the men would put on a Home Show. This was a fabulous idea and we all became very enthused.

A Home Show! A stroke of genius! What a great idea! Sounds like a lot of work! Tom went through his plan and it was a good one. I could tell he had done this in a previous life! We all agreed and it was a go.

Tom was hoping we could get about 35 vendors in the clubhouse and I told him I had all the dimensions of every room and put together an entire floor plan, which he had professionally reproduced. After careful engineering Tom came up with 45 possible booths. As of this writing we have sold over 41 booths, and the vendors are still sending in their checks.

Our biggest concern is not having a lot of people come to the show. A small turnout would keep the

vendors from wanting to return next year, and we want to make this an annual event for our community.

As you all know your Men's Club is a service organization, and we put our efforts into providing improvements to our community as well as donating to various charities.

Surrounding our pool area with beautiful Tiki Huts would be a good example of our organizational efforts.

Now, I am asking for your HELP!!

Yes, we need your help!! In an effort to flood our clubhouse with people visiting the home show, we need you to talk it up with your friends from other communities. Tell them about our show and invite them to come and have a look around. I don't have room to list all the vendors, but we are calling this a Home & Garden Show. We have flooring, windows, nursery, painting. You name it and they will probably be at the Show.

Our flyer in this issue denotes the various communities we are targeting. We also are trying to advertise on the local church bulletin boards as well.

It is well known that word of mouth advertising is the best way to get your point across. Something to tell your friends is, the admission is FREE, parking is FREE, we will have FREE hourly prize raffles, and we ask you to come and give us a look.

We have never done this before and with your help we could have a winner on our hands.

**Pine Lakes Men's Club
presents**

Annual Home Show

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2014
8:00am until 4:00pm
PINE LAKES CLUBHOUSE
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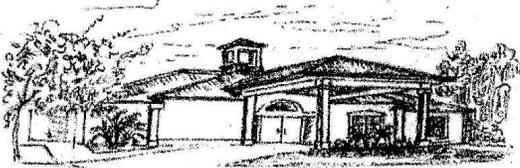
Whatever your project, From painting a room to just looking for Home refinishing ideas, you will find innovative solutions and answers to all your Home need questions including

Expert advice from Nurseries on plants & Landscaping at

The Pine Lakes Men's Club Home Show.

We will also feature specialists from the MEDICAL FIELD

Invited communities consists of over 10,000 Homes within 3 mile radius
Pine Lakes-Lake Fairways-Herons Glen-Tara Woods-Del Tura-Heritage-Buccaneer-Magnolia
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March 9, 2014

EVENT INCLUDES:

Golf: Pine Lakes G.C. and
Dinner & Prizes: Pine Lakes Ballroom
Flyers and registration forms were
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CONTACTS

BILL SAYLOR and DAN PREFONTAINE

239-731-9834 or 299-791-5744



Calling all Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways Canadians

To a cocktail party at Pine Lakes Ballroom
Friday February 21, 2014 – 5 pm to 7 pm

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Canada Night --- 2014

Dinner & Dance

At

Lake Fairways Clubhouse

Saturday, February 22nd, 2014

Doors open at 5:00 – Dinner at 6:00 – Dance until 10:00

Roast Beef Dinner – Catered by Sub & Pub

Music by – Tammy Truitt

Beer, Wine, And Pop provided, BYOB for other drinks

TICKETS -\$20.00 PER PERSON BY ADVANCE SALES ONLY

Tickets will be sold at Saturday Coffee on January 25th,

February 1st and 8th, 2014

After January 25th, you may contact Gerry Gardner at

239-543-8415 for tickets.

Come and Join us for a great Canadian Party



Men's Club Events

Sunday, February 2, 2014
Super Bowl Party is **canceled**

Friday February 14, 2014
Home Show

Saturday, February 22, 2014
Concert By Re-Creation

Saturday, March 15, 2014
St Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

Saturday, April 12, 2014
"Dancing With The Stars"
Dinner Dance, Music By Tammy Truitt

Panther Softball Team Is Winning!

By Dave Gluck

Pine Lakes Panthers Softball Team started its 20+ season in a new league and field at Carmilta Park in Punta Gorda. The Monday evening January 16, 2014, game was played against the Heritage team with an 18-2 win for the Panthers. Highlights were:

Bases-loaded home run by Norman Smith

Another game home run by Frank Krawczyk.

League play is every Monday and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m., with last game set for March 17, 2014. Need directions? Want to see a game or try-out to play? Call Dave Gluck at 239-834-8424.



Ohio Sweethearts Nite

Saturday, February 15
Pine Lakes Ball Room
5 to 9 p.m.
\$7 per person

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Pot Luck Dinner

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BYOB

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Door Prizes

There'll be quite a few.

Tickets go on sale starting in January at Saturday morning coffees.
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Bowling

By Sandy Antes

The Pine Lakes League finished our Fall session of bowling at All Star Lanes. Team #3, G-Men finished in 1st place with 64 wins and 24 losses. We are now into the Spring session. We added 2 more teams which brings us to a total of 14 teams.

Week of January 20, 2014, Greg Galuk bowled a triple, which is described as 3 games of the same score. That score was 158. Way to go, Greg! That is very difficult to attain.

TEAM STANDINGS

1 st	Team #9 – Aches & Pains	14 wins	2 losses
2 nd	Team #8 – Hot Shots	14 wins	2 losses
3 rd	Team #3 – G-Men	14 wins	2 losses
4 th	Team #6 – Flim Flams	12 wins	4 losses
5 th	Team #12 – Alley Gators	12 wins	6 losses

Men's High Scratch Game

1 st	Pete Schreyer	267
2 nd	Elliott Doliner	259
3 rd	Joe Lumniello	247

Men's High Handicap Game

1 st	Elliott Doliner	275
2 nd	Pete Schreyer	274
3 rd	Joe Lumniello	273

Women's High Scratch Game

1 st	Donna Galloway	204
2 nd	Lou Oden	199
3 rd	Sharon Rondeau	196

Women's High Handicap Game

1 st	Phyllis Mansen	252
2 nd	Sheila Lynette	252
3 rd	Donna Galloway	248

Men's High Scratch Series

1 st	Elliott Doliner	683
2 nd	Pette Schreyer 669	
3 rd	Bob Konetzny	608

Men's High Handicap Series

1 st	Elliott Doliner	731
2 nd	Bob Konetzny	695
3 rd	Pete Schreyer	690

Women's High Scratch Series

1 st	Betty Maybriar	520
2 nd	Sheila Lynette	517
3 rd	Lou Oden	515

Women's High Handicap Series

1 st	Sheila Lynette	709
2 nd	Peg Ackley	670
3 rd	Betty Maybriar	664

Individual High Averages:

Men:	Elliott Doliner	184	Jerry Kelly	177	Frank Krawczyk	174
Women:	Carol Fettig	155	Lou Oden	150	Sharon Rondeau	146

Pine Lakes Horseshoes

By Bill Hercek

On January 8 Bob Hendershot called a meeting for all players interested in playing horseshoes. Eleven players registered to play for eleven weeks on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Bill Hercek will keep track of the wins for each player and also collect a member's fee each week. At the final week, on March 26, a decision will be made for a possible player's lunch and prize awards.

First week results as of 1/15/2014:

Wins

Tom Larson	4
Larry Lepore	3
Tim Lumsoen	2
Jerry Schultz	2
Bill Hercek	2
Bob Hendershot	1
Roger Reile	1
Bob Konetzny	1
John Feeley	0

Billiards

By Bill Hercek

As of January 14, our A-Team is in first place in the North Fort Myers Seniors 8-Ball League. The Pine Lakes players participating on the A-Team are: Johnny Graverson; Tom Welsh; Steve Sparks; and Tom Ewald. Our B-Team is represented by Bill Dowd, Bill Pickett, Bill Hercek and Don Repose.

League Standings as of 1/14/2014

1. Pine Lakes 1 – 84
2. Tamiami Village – 73*
3. Six Lakes – 69*
4. DelTura 2 – 63*
5. Buccaneer – 62*
6. Horizon – 56*
7. DelTura 1 – 51*
8. Pine Lakes 2 – 44*
9. Heron's Glen 1 – 44*
10. Heritage – 42*
11. Heron's Glen 2 – 41*

*Scores affected by bye weeks.

Conference A Standings

1. Pine Lakes 1- 50 of 84(.595)
2. Six Lakes 40 of 70(.571)
3. Tamiami Village - 31 of 56(.553)
3. DelTura 2 – 31 of 56(.553)
5. Buccaneer – 24 of 56(.429)
6. DelTura 1 – 27 of 70(.386)

Conference B Standings

1. Horizon – 28 of 42(.666)
2. Heron's Glen 1 – 29 of 56(.518)
3. Pine Lakes 2 – 27 of 56(.482)
3. Heritage – 27 of 56(.482)
5. Heron's Glen 2 – 18 of 42(.428)

LEGA

By Nancy Bleser

On January 15th, the PLLGL hosted a LEGA tournament with 55 ladies hailing from Burnt Store, Del Tura, Myerlee, Seven Lakes, Sis Lakes, Whiskey Creek and Pine Lakes. The sky was grey and the temperature barely rose to 60 degrees, but the ladies layered on warm clothes and eagerly faced the challenge. Nine of our ladies were winners. In the A flight, Annette Maloney placed first with a net 52 and Beverly Bynum tied for fourth place with a net 57. Ginny Nichols placed first in the B flight with a net 51 and Char Lopez tied for fifth place with a net 60. We also had a first place winner in the C flight with Doris Corwell having a net 53. There were two additional winners in the C flight with Elaine Knell placing fifth shooting a net 59 and Becky Monteleone placing sixth having a net 62. The D flight had 2 winners. Veronica Klimko placed second with a net 54 and Flo states was in third place with a net 56. Well done ladies.

The ladies enjoyed a delicious meal catered by the Pub. Thank you, Darrell. I wish to thank our Golf Pro, Jim McManis, for lending his expertise. Also, several men helped with unloading the golf bags and checking the score cards. Thank you! thank you! And to all our ladies, thank you for pitching in to make the day such a success.

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Men's Golf League

By Dick Loubier

The weather is getting colder, but I guess up north they would take this. We have our member/member tournament coming up on January 21st and January 23rd. See picture on back cover. We will have the results in our next month article. We have 66 guys playing in it. Great turnout.

Now for our results since December 19th.

On December 19th we played a stablford, in flights.

Flight 1:

John Owens	54
Ray Rouillard	51
Bob Konetzny	50
Roger Smith	50
Dave Wright	50

Flight 2:

Dareld Schick	66
Rick Worrall	54
Ray Beetz	51
Mel Gautieri	49

Flight 3:

Bob McCarthy	51
Don Kusk	50
Phil Bleser	48

On December 26th we played a scramble.

1st.

Chuck Yedinak	
Rick Tayman	51
Ray Beetz	
Fred Stewart	

2nd.

Ray Rouillard	
Dave Wright	51
Pete Williams	
Rick Worrall	

3rd

Bill Davis	
Dudley Bynum	53
John Lopez	
Blind Draw	

On January 2nd we played low net in flight.

Flight 1:

Charlie Schneider	59
Roger Jung	60
Ray Streeter	60
Bob Konetzny	60
Joe Demkowicz	61

Flight 2:

Tom Minahan	57
Chuck Harwood	61
Joe Curley	62
John Lopez	65

Flight 3:

Tom Hare	60
Rick Worrall	62
Joe Kennedy	65
Fred Stewart	66
Bill Nichols	67

Flight 4:

Harley Junghans	53
Carl Book	66

On January 9th we played two Best Ball Of Y.

Roger Jung	
David Gluck	90
Dudley Bynum	
Dareld Schick	

Chuck Yedinak	
Lou Fontaine	94
Tom Hare	
Carl Book	

Ray Bouillard	
Joe Monteleone	95
Ray Beetz	
Clyde Yarnell	

On January 16th we played a scramble.

Bob Konetzny	
Joe Demkowicz	56
Dave Gluck	
Bob McCarthy	

Charlie Schneider	
Dick Jung	56
Dareld Schick	
Carl Book	

Stan Carr	
Ray Beetz	59
Tom Hare	
Blind Draw	

Joe Monteleone	
Tom Minahan	59
Ken Hunt	
Harley Junghans	

We had our third shoot-out on December 21st.

A.

1. Roger Jung
2. Rick Tayman

B.

1. Richard Stock
2. Fred Stewart

Congratulations to these guys for making it into the finals in March. Two more shoot outs to go. Good luck to everybody. No Holes-in-One during this time period. See you all next month with the member/member results and shoot out results. (See pic on back cover.)

Tee Time

By Becky Monteleone

The ladies have started a new schedule for 2014 but the weather has not been in our favor.

Our last game of 2013 was team low net – First place with a score of 214 – Char Lopez, Gwen Booth, Evelyn Glen and Jean Ebersberger. Second place with a score of 222 – Lindy Worrall, Ginny Nichols, Flo States and Helen Allen.

Christmas and New Year's Day were on a Wednesday so there was on league golf.

January 8th was supposed to be a shoot-out qualifier, however, the rains came and the golf was cancelled. We still had the shoot-out on Saturday, January 11th. Since we had less than 10 that signed up for the shoot-out, the ladies played on the back nine. A HUGE crowd watched the ladies play a great round of golf! First place – Darlene Topp, second place – Lindy Worrall and third place – Doris Corwell. Congratulations to the winners and a thank you to all that participated.

On January 15, Pine Lakes hosted LEGA. Again the weather was cold with no sun for warmth. Nancy Bleser will give you the details in her article. Thank you

to Nancy, Joan Spalik and their committee for making this event a success.

On January 20 and January 22 our ladies had their Member/Member Tournament with their luncheon on Thursday, January 30th. (Writeups next month.)

Our winter season has started. Stay informed – check bulletin boards for any new information or changes. Until next time – stay WARM!!



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Nifty Niner News

By Luanne Putnam

A little cold weather has arrived at our piece of paradise, but that has not stopped the Niners from going out and playing some golf. On December 11th the ladies played for their individual nets. Eleven ladies participated with first place going to Doris Stock and second place to Shirley Kubie.

On December 18th we had three teams playing in a scramble. There was a tie for first place with the team of Shirley Kubie, Martha Book and Brenda Loubier scoring 33 as well as the team of Maryanna McCarthy, Barb Daley, Jean Marena and Nilda Monks also reporting a 33.

We had a 9 Hole Tournament with three flights on January 15th. The first flight first place went to Shirley Kubie and second place to Robin Hourihan. In the second flight Norma Downie took first followed by a tie for second between Ruth Hovet and Margi Hull. The third flight first place was taken by Marti Oliver and second place went to Barb Lindgren.

The girls are readying for the member-member tournament that is slated for January 27th and 29th and are hoping for nice Florida weather. The tournament luncheon will be at noon on February 6th in the activity room.

The Nifty Niners played in a Nine Hole Tournament on November 20th with two flights. Individual scores are as follows:

Flight 1-
 Shirley Kubie 24
 Maryanna McCarthy 26
 Audrey Jung 28
 Ruth Hovet 31
 Robin Hourihan 33
 Hat Martin 35
 Martha Book 36

Flight 2-
 Brenda Loubier 25
 Marti Oliver 27
 Martha Stevens 27
 Mary Blesena 33

On November 27 three teams found some time away from all the Thanksgiving festivities and played in a scramble. First place went to the team of Martha Stevens, Ruth Hovet, Diane Schiereck and Hat Martin with a score of 30. That was followed closely with a score of 31 by the team of Shirley Kubie, Jean Marena and Nilda Monks.

December 4th found three teams out for play reporting total team scores. First place was garnered by Martha Book, Robin Hourihan and Brenda Loubier with a 52. Second place with a 53 went to Mabel Wurst, Barb Lindgren and Shirley Williams.

The Nifty Niners celebrated the holiday season with a luncheon on December 12 at Magnolia. The ladies brought gifts for the Toys for Tots and had a \$5.00 Yankee Swap as well. These girls know how to have a good time.

The Member/Member is January 27th & 29th; get your partner and sign up in the pro shop. See you on the course!

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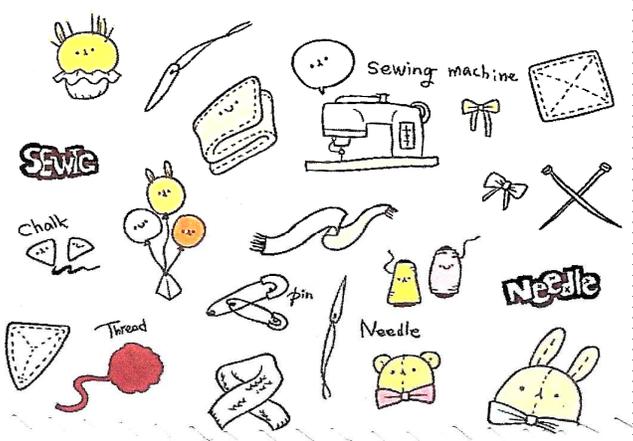
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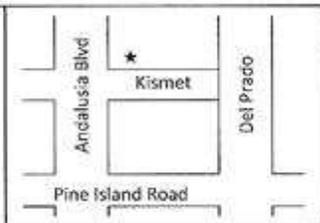
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By Beverly McKeone

Pine Lakes Square Dance Club started the 2014 season on Sunday January 12th. We had fun dancing and reviewing dance calls. The afternoon provided exercise plus pleasant social interaction. Five couples were in attendance, including one couple who had no previous experience with square dancing. All our dancers did extremely well under the direction of our caller Wally Wade and his wife Ione.

Seasoned dancers, new dancers and singles are welcome. We need you, if we are to keep square dancing alive here at Pine Lakes. This year's schedule is as follows: Sundays from 4 to 6 P.M. in the Pine Lakes Ballroom. January 26, February 16 & 23, March 16, April 13 & 27.

Come join the merriment. Our hope is to have adequate participation so we can continue this enjoyable activity. Dress is casual. Do come and give it a try. Fee is only \$3 per session.

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Pine Lakes / Lake Fairways Singles Club

By: Fran Douma

Our January 14th meeting began with wishes for a Happy New Year filled with good health, happiness, and good cheer.

Marilyn Hillard gave the secretary's report, and Elaine Thelen gave the treasury report. Following these reports, winners of our monthly drawings were given. Winners were: 50/50 - Carol DeSouza, Jane Richards, June Scott, and Ray Weimer. The \$20.00 gift card to Walmart went to Ray Weimer. Lucky Ray!

Dinner followed served by Buzz and his helpers. Our entertainment featured The Faziolis - Frank and Linda, and their two guests. They all did a fine job. Our members were all pleased and thanked them for their program.

On February 11th, the club will meet again. After my usual welcome to the group, we'll continue with the following agenda: Drawings - 50/50, raffle - \$20.00 to Walmart.

Dinner by Buzz will feature Canadian Baked Chicken Breast with stuffing, accompanied by green beans; dessert with coffee will follow.

You'll enjoy the program, The Bay Shore Cloggers! They are such a cute group of youngsters. They dress in darling costumes and clog for our enjoyment. So, mark your calendars for February 11th and a nice night out.

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Thank You

From Robin Canfield (11B)

I would like to thank all of my Pine Lakes Friends and Neighbors for their prayers, cards, and goodies, while I was recovering from a hip operation. As my wife Rox and I have always said... Pine Lakes people are the best!

I would also like to thank FISH and Jack & Jill Crotty for the much needed medical equipment, and a special thanks to Ray & Sharon Rondeau for the transportation and use of a very much needed recliner which made my recovery a lot more bearable. As of this note, I am back to work and getting along very well.

Again, thanks to all... Robin Canfield

Bingo

By Dick Loubier

Here we are in 2014 and we are breaking records for attendance. On January 8 we had 87 and on January 15 we had 99. What a great way to start the new year.

Starting January 22, I am going to start giving away more money on every game if we keep having this many people show up. As it is now, all our coveralls are \$50.00. Not bad for a \$10.00 buy-in.

The food has been great. We open up at 5:00 p.m. and the games start at 6:30 p.m., and we are done by 9:00 p.m. It's a fun two and a half hours of having fun and maybe winning some money.

In last month's article I'm sorry to say that I left off one of Donna Galloway's helpers. Her name is Shirley Kubie. This month I would like to thank my bookkeepers. They handle all the money we collect and make sure the winners get paid the right amount of money. They are Fred Weber, Dick Marshall, and Chuck Harwood. Good job guys. Thank you. See you all next month.

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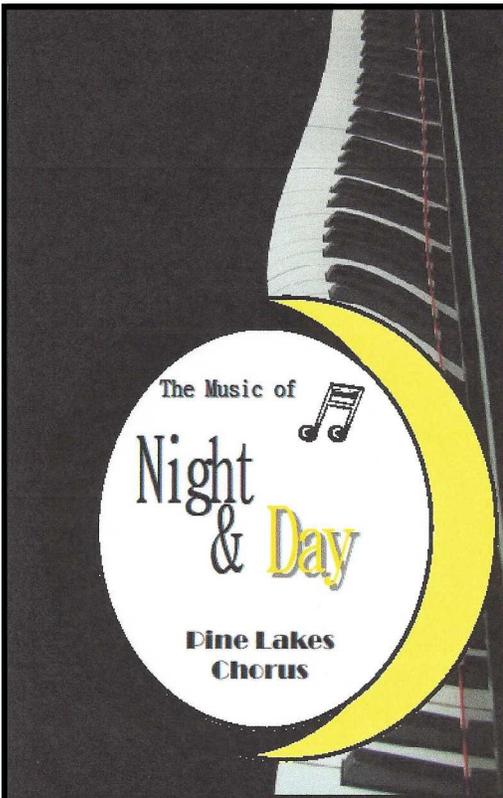
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Men's Club Minutes for January 9, 2014

President Pete Morais called the Men's Club meeting to order at 7 PM, with 66 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and a moment of silence held for deceased members.

Speaker Dr. Christopher Dawson spoke on Sciatica. There was an informative question and answer session following the doctor's visual presentation.

The November Minutes were read and approved with one amendment - The Jimmy Travis Show date is on January 22nd instead of the 19th.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

There were four new members, Bob Stewart 4D from PA, Warren Walerzak 8A from NJ, James Nocks 46N from PA and Alan Netarpole 10D from NY.

Old Business

A plea was issued for a new Candlelighters Chairperson. If someone does not come forward the program will end. (Editor's Note: See article on page 2.)

Pete gave a report on the upcoming Jimmy Travis Show. A musical comedian, Travis puts on a great ninety-minute show. There will be a 50/50 with a first prize of \$100.00.

A Super Bowl Party planned for February 2nd. has been **Canceled**

February 22nd a group of young people called Re-Creation, a singing and dancing troupe, will perform with many costume changes. The monies we pay them helps so they can tour the various VA Hospitals putting on shows for the veterans. (See "story" on preceding page.)

February 14th Tom Minahan is putting together a Home Show and expects 45 exhibitors to attend. Tom asked for volunteers to help with parking, setup on the 13th and in the show. Food will be available. Admission is free. Prizes will be awarded every hour.

March 15th St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance also run by Tom Minahan. Corned Beef and Cabbage catered by The Pub. Music will be by Tim Goodman & Roseanne.

April 15th Dancing With The Stars is scheduled.

Dick Loubier reported on the Wednesday night Bingo. There were 87 people attending. There were five \$50 overall prizes.

New Business

February's Men's Club Meeting will be postponed until February 20th due to the Home Show set up. The Speaker will be Lisa Kopp from Hope Hospice.

Bill Roberts & Steve Donaldson asked the club if we would be interested in sponsoring a Christmas Dinner like the Thanksgiving Dinner they had this year. It will be held over for the Board Meeting to see if it is viable.

Dave Gluck thanked the club for the donation to the Pine Lakes Panthers Softball Team.

The Tennis Club will hold the annual "Night at The Races" on February 1st.

February 15th will be Ohio Sweethearts Nights \$7. Bring a dish.

New Men's Club Hats were handed out to all members.

Men's Club shirts are on sale for \$15.

The 50/50 raffle was held with one \$40, two \$25 and one \$20. The Door Prize was \$50.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Clark
Secretary



Back pain specialist, Dr. Christopher Dawson, MD speaks at the Men's Club January meeting.

Craft Fair

By Sandy VanHorn, Chairperson,
(Below left, with Assistant Joanne Stuart)



The Pine Lakes Women's Club just completed another successful craft fair with 58 crafters from all over South Florida.

My thanks to all who helped: especially my assistant Joann Stuart; Jan Farlow and her crew (bake sale); Pat Deveney and crew (kitchen);

and Connie Philbrook and her assistant (raffle). Without them it could not have been a success.

We are looking for a chairperson for 2014. Anyone interested, please call me. I would be willing to assist.

"Lend Me a Tenor" is Pine Lakes Theatre's Spring Play

By Michele Nauyokas

Lend Me a Tenor is set in September, 1934. Saunders, the general manager of the Cleveland Grand Opera Company, is eager to welcome world famous, Tito Morelli, Il Stupendo, the greatest tenor of his generation, to appear one night only as Otello. The star arrives late and, through a hilarious series of mishaps, is given a double dose of tranquilizers and passes out. His pulse is so low that Saunders and his assistant Max believes he's dead. In a frantic attempt to salvage the evening, Saunders persuades Max to get into Morelli's Otello costume and fool the audience into thinking he's Il Stupendo. Max succeeds admirably, but Morelli comes to and gets into his other costume ready to perform. Now two Otellos are running around in costume and two women are running around in lingerie, each thinking she is with Il Stupendo.

Lend Me A Tenor is the winner of 3 Tony Awards.

Production is March 28th & 29th at 7:00 P.M.; and on the 30th at 2:00 P.M. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at Saturday coffee, or by contacting Jackie Harrigan (731-1462) or Phyllis Mansen (567-0197) Tickets go on sale February 15th.

Mark your calendars for this tremendous farce!

Be Careful What You Text

Submitted by Ralph Stallworth

An elderly couple had just learned how to send text messages on their cell phones. The wife was a romantic type and the husband, a man of few words, was more of a no-nonsense guy.

One afternoon the wife went out and met a friend for coffee. She decided to send her husband a romantic text message and she wrote:

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"If you are laughing, send me your smile."
"If you are eating, send me a bite."
"If you are drinking, send me a sip."
"If you are crying, send me your tears."
"I love you."

The husband texted back to her: "I'm on the toilet, please advise."



L to R: Nancy Mitchell, Sharon Rondeau, Kay Kaledas, Jean Hendershot, Pat Deveney (Luncheon Chair).



L to R: Rita Freiermuth, Connie Philbrook (Raffle Chair)

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the 24th

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the 29th

Russell & Linda Neff

A Note from Grace MacMullen

I would like to thank you for acknowledging my birthday in the January issue of *Whispering Pines*; however, I would like to make a correction to that item. My husband Jack and I were not one of the 100 original homeowners. We moved to Pine Lakes in June of 1993. I have lived in Pine Lakes for 20 wonderful years. Jack passed away in February, 2009. We both made many wonderful friends. This is a great place to live.

March Birthdays

the 1st

Tyle r Daig n e au
Ann Faubel

the 2nd

Rose Wood
De n ise Wrig ht
Barbara Grabowski
David Ke lle h e r

the 3rd

Eu n ice Grossack
Jame s Var n e r
Re in h ard Matzkul n
Barbara Cap uto

the 4th

Elle n Rose
Barbara De mare e
Ri ch ard Sh aw
Ge n Rokosh

the 5th

Edg ar Doull
W il eam Le Cle r c
Lin da Coulombe
Flo Doming s

the 6th

Bob Olbric h
Di Ann a Pe Cic
McKe Sh e are r

the 7th

Judith Martin
Th omas Kame n se k
Norman Wh e e le r
Ron Zamozde r
Mary Zoe lle r

the 8th

Don ald Russo
Joh n Hur y n owicz
Ge org e O'Ne d

the 9th

Ch uck Flowe r
Kath y Jovan ovic h
Camdle Butka Amarante
Kath le e n Baran owski

the 10th

Mandy n He aly
Jam Dalrym p le
Ke n n e th Bol h Uis
Judy Jacquard
Mi ch ael Halloran

the 11th

Flore n e Joh n s
Carol Gdlman
Larry Hyske y
Te re sa Sp arke
Su an Be rman

the 12th

Bob Se ey
Judy Hale
Kath y McCle llan
Gloria Sale

the 13th

Marie ProVe n Ch e r

the 14th

Nan cy Ph dlig s

the 15th

Jan e Lyle

Al Olson

the 16th

Je an e tte Bran dau
JoAnn Scott
Re y Tact

the 17th

Wally Hue br e r
Joe Lum in e llo

the 18th

Ela in e Hdl
Lin da Bake r
Ron ald Kasמושki

the 19th

Harry Fun n e g Au
Sam Lee b
Judie Gre e n e

the 20th

Ne ttie Latuh ih in
Joh n De Rose
Lin da Wash in g ton /Be amis
Ann Le n towicz

the 21st

Be v Malaky

the 22nd

Marjorie Ale xan de r

the 23rd

Nan cy Cufalo
Norma We ste r h off

the 24th

He le n Va rasi d

the 25th

Bre n da Me se rVe /Morae
An dy Ag Uiar
Ch e ryl Car n e ra
Rog e ro Ham dton

the 26th

Ve lma Habig e r

the 27th

Arle n e Lee b
Patricia Sch metz

the 28th

McCh e lle Eby
Ge rry Ray e n
Con rad Le te n dre
Kath y Pate raon
Gordon Kn aue r

the 30th

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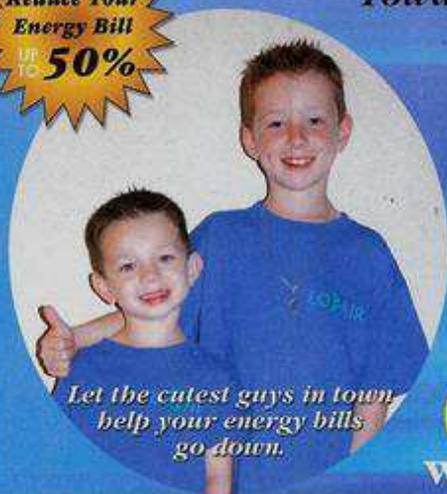


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- *Check for any loose or frayed wiring
- *Flush and vacuum out the drain line
- *Test ducting for proper air flow and leaks

- *Inspect safety equipment
- *Wash and clean condensing coil
- *Room-to-room "hot spots" inspection
- *Check refrigeration levels
- *Add algacide tablets to the drain pan
- *Check the evaporator coil for mold, and impaction

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2. Trash/Garbage not at curb prior to 6:30 a.m. *Basura no esta a la curba antes de las 6:30 a.m.*
3. Trash/Garbage not in an approved container. *Basura no esta en contenedor aprobado.*
4. Construction debris in excess of 2 cubic yards per collection limit. Please contact Waste Pro for service options. *Escombros de construcción mayores de 2 yardas cúbicas*
5. Materials are hazardous (please contact Lee County Solid Waste (239) 533-8000 for disposal information). *Los materiales son toxica.*
6. Bags and/or container(s) over 50 lbs. *Bolsas o contenedor pesan mas de 50 libras.*

RECYCLE

7. Recyclable not in an approved container; for recycling bin please contact Waste Pro to schedule delivery of bins. *Reciclaje no esta en contenedor aprobados.*
8. Cardboard is recyclable and must be placed out on day of recycling collection. *Carton es reciclable y debe colocarse fuera en su día de reciclaje.*
9. Recyclables are contaminated (please separate from non-recyclable materials for collection on next scheduled day) *Materiales reciclables estan contaminados.*

YARD WASTE

10. Loose branches/limbs must be bundled and tied, not to exceed 6' in length and 50 lbs. in weight. *Rama suelta deben ser amontonadas y amarradas. No mas de 6 pies de largo y 50 libras en peso.*
11. Loose palm fronds over 50 lbs. must be tied and bundled. *Hojas de palmas mas de 50 libras deben ser amontonadas y amarradas.*
12. Grass clippings, leaves, pine needles, etc., must be containerized or bagged. Do not use recycling bin(s) as yard waste containers. *Recorte de hierba de patio, hojas de pino, colocar en bolsas, no exceder de 50 libras en peso.*

ELECTRONICS

13. Please leave at curb. A special pick-up has been scheduled. *Por favor dejar fuera. Hasido programado para recoger.*

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14. Please leave at curb. A special pick-up has been scheduled. *Por favor dejar fuera. Hasido programado para recoger.*

Holiday Schedule (Days when Waste Pro will not be providing collection and disposal service)

New Year's Day	First Day in January
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Independence Day	Fourth Day in July
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November
Christmas Day	Twenty-fifth Day in December



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Please notify the Editor, Howard Harrison, by phone at **826-8366**, or put a note in the drop box when you send an article directly to Guy & Jermaine. The three of us need to coordinate all of the articles, and this helps us do a good job. Thank you.

ATTENTION CONTRIBUTORS

Article deadline for the next issue should be submitted no later than **FEBRUARY 20th**. Please place your articles in the drop box at the reception desk or email to:

Guy & Jermaine Troiano at
 77guymaine@centurylink.net

If you include a picture, please indicate the name of the photographer. To place a Classified Ad, put your ad with a check for \$8 made out to *Whispering Pines* in the same envelope (forms available at the reception desk).

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Dinner featured delicious steak and lobster prepared by Darrell. "Stupendous Job." Drinks were kept flowing by Therese doing a fine job of bartending. Joe Garbino's music kept us all very busy on the dance floor. Lots of fun was had by all!!

Midnight came with champagne and cheesecake and of course hats and noisemakers. Thanks Debbie and Rogers for a "great time."
Pictures by Don LaCroix



The team with the low net score in the men's member-member tournament Dave Gluck (L) and Al Friermuth (R) are congratulated by the tournament director Dick Loubier (C)

Azaleas on Sun Air Court in January! A miraculous event to a transplanted New Yorker!