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IT IS BEAUTIFUL!!!!

By Judy Hale

Our swimming pool was in need of some major work. There is no good time to shut down a swimming pool in Florida but ELS chose August - September because it would affect the fewest residents. So the pool closed in August for what we thought would be 21 days.

Do you know what it takes to drain a pool in Florida? First we have to lower the water level around the pool enough that the pool wouldn't pop out of the ground when it's drained. This meant we had to open the weirs on the lakes and let the lakes drain into Lake Fairways lakes and then into the canals. Then we had to pump the water out of the pool into the surrounding lake. It takes a while to pump 120,420 gallons of water out of a pool. When the rains came the whole process had to be repeated again and again.

When we could keep the water out of the pool, the surface of the pool was redone with a marcite plaster, the underwater lights were repaired and the upper wall of the pool was re-tiled. We then had to put 120,420 gallons of water back into the pool using two garden hoses. After the pool was full of water, chemicals were added and we had to wait a few days for the correct chemical equilibrium.

The tile which was purchased by the ELS office in Tampa is a cobalt blue color which didn't look very good with our green safety ring around the pool, our green awning over the patio and our green umbrellas.

What could we do about the clashing blue and green? Well the pool deck was painted an off white with a tan safety ring. One problem solved. Also, the green ring was hard on bare feet because it held the heat of the sun. The tan is much better.

We replaced the green umbrellas thanks to the contributions of the Sunday pool party fund, the Men's Club and ELS. The new umbrellas are a multicolored stripe with green, cobalt blue, navy blue, yellow, etc. The umbrellas tie all the pool colors together and the result is that it is BEAUTIFUL!!!!



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OCTOBER LIAISON MEETING

The October liaison meeting was held October 13 in the Living Room. The discussion started with some of the houses that need outside attention. ELS plans to go ahead and do the yard work and charge it back to the residents. This is allowed by our prospectus.

There are a couple of houses which have been referred to the legal department because the residents have not responded to ELS' request to abide by the rules of the community as spelled out in the prospectus.

Cul-de-sac 9 is experiencing drainage problem. There was a deck built over one of the drains and a resident has added a lot of cement to their yard. Maintenance will investigate.

A number of residents have commented and complained about the poor job done by the paving company that resurfaced some of the cul-de-sacs. Julie is working with the paving company. Also, the parking lot was not repaired where tree roots are and have damaged it.

We again talked about Ameripride. Judy and Pete have stopped meeting with them on a regular basis because Ameripride has not responded to complaints. We are on a two mows a month schedule now.

The vendor plans to look at the bridge post repairs when they are in the community working on the seawalls. This should be in late November. The Friendship Bridge to Lake Fairways has been damaged.

The Beautification Committee was gifted two cement urns that they would like to place at the clubhouse driveway entrance and fill with flowers and plants. Julie asked to see the urns before she commented.

The clubhouse chairs have been cleaned. An ice tea machine will be installed in the clubhouse kitchen sometime this week.

PLEHOA Minutes can be found on the Pine Lakes web site.

The pool is scheduled to open Friday October 14th.

ELS is stilling looking for a new Pub manager.

The liaison meetings are held the second Thursday of each month. Residents are encouraged to speak to their respective board members about items they would like to have on the agenda for these meetings.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL



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From your FMO representative, Maura Alexander

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WHISPERING PINES EDITOR

by Cindy Ahrens

I'd like to introduce myself to those I haven't met yet: I am Cindy Ahrens, new Editor of the Whispering Pines. Knowing that I have BIG shoes to fill after Howard Harrison's many years, so ask for your patience and understanding during my learning curve. Having just moved to Pine Lakes last October, I am new to the community, but have over 35 years as an Administrative Assistant, working with Boards and elected officials, document preparation & proofing, have always volunteered within my community, and am excited about this opportunity. I try to attend every Saturday morning breakfast/social, so hope to meet many of you. My initial plans include meetings with Judy Hale, Stingers staff, Peg Ackley, and with Howard. Will also be contacting all current display advertisers for input and to touch base for any needs they have. Display and classified ads are all welcome – if you have any questions, feel free to contact me:

cindyahrens@netzero.net, mobile 612-790-1913. I welcome your ideas and constructive input as we continue to supply a useful and vital publication for Pine Lakes.



FIRST SATURDAY COFFEE, FALL 2016

Photo by Lew Ackley



Rhonda Owens, October MC and ladies from
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 (Joan Spalik, Judy DeLonge, Adele Heft
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First of all, protect your family by maintaining adequate life and disability insurance.

Next, invest in your children. If you have young children, you may want to open a tax-advantaged college savings vehicle, such as a 529 plan. If you have adult children, you could write them each a check to help them fund their IRAs for the year.

Here's another financial move that can ultimately benefit your family: Maintain your own financial independence throughout your life. Specifically, consider working with a financial professional to find a solution for the potentially devastating costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay.

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PINE LAKES ESTATE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 12, 2016

The general meeting of the Pine Lakes Homeowner's Association was held on October 12, 2016 in the Living Room of the Clubhouse. In addition to President Pete Williams, Treasurer Dick Loubier, ARC chair Bob Wurst, and Secretary Carl Schlachter were present. There were 8 homeowners present.

President Williams opened the meeting at 7:00 pm, starting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no new members present. Carl Schlachter read the minutes from the meeting of September 14, 2016. With two corrections a motion was made and carried to accept the report as amended.

Dick Loubier read the treasurer's report. A motion was made that was seconded and accepted with no corrections. The full report will be posted on the bulletin board across from the Exercise Room.

President Williams reported that Ron Cook and Dick Jung have agreed to be on the ARC board.

He also said the chairs in the ball room have been cleaned and the pool is waiting inspection from the county.

Resident issues:

1. Horticulture area not always open for the contractors causing the residents to have to pay for disposal.
2. Resident in 170 have an issue with Palmettos getting to large near their lanai along the golf course.
3. The short sidewalk to the parking lot from the clubhouse is very dark.
4. Not all shuffleboard lights are working.

With no further business to conduct a motion was made and President Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl Schlachter, Secretary

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So, if you remember the era of tie-dye shirts and the "funny" aroma in the air, you will really enjoy this show presented by the Pine Lakes Entertainment Committee. (We promise - no "funny" stuff.) Feel free to wear something from that special time in our musical history.

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Next Show: February 11 - "MOTOWN MAGIC"

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PINE LAKE BOCCE LEAGUE

by Betty White

The Fall Bocce season has begun with some changes occurring this year. The league is being co-chaired by Shelby Greene and Jim Rastrelli. Jim is new to the Bocce scene and has managed to procure and learn the spreadsheet system that is necessary for the functioning of the league. He has had lots of help from Irene Gaetani who gave of her time and knowledge to aid in the learning curve. Also, Carol Matthews has lent her valuable knowledge and experience to Jim, helping him to get things underway. We thank them all for their aid and assistance. The committee members for the seasons are as follows:

Shelby Greene,	Co-chairman
Jim Rastrelli,	Co-chairman
Karen Heddleston,	Treasurer
Joe Luminiello	
Arlene Stoecker	
Margaret Ahrens -	Winter Session
Ken Hunt -	Winter Session
Jim Rendone -	Winter Session
Jack Conway -	Winter Session


At the time this article was written we were in our second week of games. We have 20 teams with new and seasoned participants.

The standings after each week are posted in the clubhouse on the bulletin board in the hallway by the exercise room.


The Bocce League and it's members would like to extend our thoughts and prayers to Bertie and Clyde Yarnell during their time of need due to illness.

The Winter Session will begin after the holidays, more information to come on the date and time to sign up for the Winter League.





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VETERAN'S DAY

Friday, November 11, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.

By Don Hudson

Every resident of Pine Lakes has a relative or loved one who gave his or her life – or a period of it -- in the service of our great America. Please join us in a celebration of their lives at the clubhouse circle on Veteran's Day for a flag ceremony and recognition of those who served.

Lunch will be served in the ballroom following the ceremony (hot dogs, baked beans, chips, soda and cake). Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased at the Saturday breakfast or by contacting David Gluck at 220-0464. Memorial bricks and T-shirts may be purchased at the event.

Veterans who are participating should attend the rehearsal held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 10th at the clubhouse circle. Note: participants should arrive by 10:15 a.m. prior to the ceremony on the 11th.



MY WHOLE FAMILY PROUDLY SERVED IN EVERY BRANCH!

by Lou Parmentier

It started with my father Leon Parmentier. He joined the Army when World War I broke out. He came from Belgium but felt the need to serve his new country. When I turned seventeen World War II broke out and I also felt the need to join the military to protect our beloved Country. I instead joined the Marines. Luckily the Japanese surrendered and life for me was about to begin with a family. Unfortunately, the Korean War broke out and I was called back in to serve again. Fast forward to the future and as my children grew and left the house, all of them at one point in time joined the military. Three of them in the Air Force and one in the Navy. Not to mention sons and daughter-in-law have served. I am truly blessed that they served there Country in such a manner. Luckily, none of them had to go to war as I did and I am thankful for that. So, as Veterans Day approaches please, please, please, if you see a veteran **THANK HIM** or **HER** for their service and sacrifices they have made!
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PINE LAKES WOMENS CLUB

This season is proving to be another good year for our Club. We have now had two meetings and both were fun and educational.

Our members are gearing up for our four fund raising events for the year. First our Spaghetti Dinner, November 12th. Our ladies will prepare and serve a great dinner and we will have music for listening and dancing. Next will be our Annual Craft Fair, January 20th. Many talented crafters will bring in their items for sale, lunch will be served and a fantastic bake sale will also take place. Next on February 17th we will have a rummage sale. This is a great way for us to donate things that we no longer use but still have plenty of good use. Food will be available and also another yummy bake sale. Last but not least is our Fashion Show, this is always a fun day for the ladies. Lunch will be served, then our ladies will model the new and latest fashions from Razzle Dazzle. We also have a number of raffle baskets filled with great items.

The moneys we earn at these fund raising events is used for expenses incurred for our meetings, or



miscellaneous projects within our community and primarily for donations to local charities.

Any ladies that are not currently members are welcome to join us. Our meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 P.M. in the Club House. We have a membership fee is \$5.00 the first year with a \$2.00 renewal fee each year thereafter. We have a very nice Christmas Party and our last meeting in April is a Pizza Party.

As you can see we are busy, but we have fun and do a lot of good.

Judy DeLonge, President

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PINE LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING

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The meeting was opened with the introduction our guest speakers. Paula Short as the Assistant Program Coordinator of the Lee Memorial Health System Share Club spoke about the programs available to Share Club members, from Lifelong learning classes and travel opportunities to the benefits of adequate nutrition. Our second guest introduced the comprehensive services available through the Lee Memorial Health System, from 6 medical facilities with specialized physicians to outpatient services.

Refreshments followed the speakers and the business meeting opened with the pledge to the flag and the reading of the minutes of the last meeting by Lori Downey. Carol Matthews made a motion to approve the minutes as read, it was seconded by Pat Rotthoff and passed

Pat Dieringer gave the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Sue O'Donnell. Jean Rourke made the motion to accept the report; it was seconded by Kay Kaledas and passed.

Brenda Loubier indicated that 3 cards had been sent out to Linda Roberts, Donna Morris, and Jane Rourke.

Under New Business we agreed to serve as bell ringers for the Salvation Army---Thursday and Friday for three different weeks. This will be coordinated by Pat Rottoff. Donna Morris reported on the blanket drive and volunteers were asked to meet next Monday at 9 am at the Clubhouse to make the fringe for 4 more blankets.

The Spaghetti Dinner will be held on November 12 and Jane Vogel and Judy Howard are the co-chairmen.

The Craft Fair will be chaired by Martha Stevens and will be on January 20...the Bake Sale portion will be chaired by Barbara Brown. Sign-up sheets were distributed.

The Rummage Sale be held on February 17 and chaired by Bev Thompson, Terry Walton and Pat Dieringer. Storage space is needed. Please contact any of the committee members if you can help.

The Fashion Show, chaired by Lillian Thibodeau, will be on February 23, 2017. Cost will be \$16.00. Razzle Dazzle will again feature their clothing.

Two new members, Patricia Bell and Judy Wirzburger, were introduced and welcomed.

Lori Downey
Secretary

PINE LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB SPAGHETTI DINNER COMING SOON!

Judy Howard

Don't miss out! Mark your calendars for November 12 to join us for a delicious Italian dinner of spaghetti with homemade marinara sauce, meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert! Tickets available at Saturday coffee and at Women's Club, still only \$12 per person. We'll have assigned tables, so get your friends together and reserve your table now!! And don't forget your dancing shoes as we'll be having music, too! Music by DJ Bill's Mellow Sounds. BYOB. Soda provided. See you there!



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PINE LAKES MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Minahan at 6pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence held.

The meeting was suspended for a Pizza and salad Dinner.

Meeting reconvened.

Our speaker for the evening was Sheriff Department Staff Officer Scot Griffin. Officer Griffin spoke on Active Shooter situations.

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Dick Loubier and accept as read.

We have four new members Wayne Cox 32J, MI, David Berridge 32J, MI, Alexander Pickett 57I ,MA, Ed Clevenger 15H, IL

November 6th we will be going to see the Miami Dolphin play the NY Jets.

We will donate \$300 to buy pool umbrellas.

We have also donated \$114 to the Horseshoe League for covers for the pits

We will have Walgreens here to give Flu Shots to residents on October 19th 11am to 2pm.

Shows We will be having our 4th annual Home Show on Wednesday Bingo is now going again.

Texas Holdem is at 6:30 on Monday.

There will be an election for four officers at our November 10th meeting. Anyone wishing to run for the board contact Chuck Hardwood.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Tom Clark, Recording Secretary

MEN'S CLUB

By Tom Minahan

What a great turnout we had for the fly shot clinic, we had over 70 people and about 80 shots were given flu shot plus some got the pneumonia shot. That helps children around the world get shots from the Walgreens program.

November 1st is our monthly Pancake Breakfast – hoping the Whispering Pines is delivered before the first. Our Bingo opens at 5:00 PM with food to purchase and the Bingo starts promptly at 6:30 every Wednesday. For Men's Club members, some tickets may still be available for the Sunday, November 6th, Miami VS the NY Jets game, \$40.00 per member with lunch, drinks, bus and tickets to the game. See Dick Loubier for tickets and information—bus leaves at 8:30 AM, must be a homeowner of Pine Lakes to attend.

At our November 10th meeting, we will hold nominations and election of new Board members. There are four openings, three of the existing Board have indicated they would run again. See or call Chuck Harwood if you would like to run for the Board. No guest speaker that night. Meeting begins at 6:00 PM, sliced turkey and mashed potato w/gravy and pumpkin cookies for desert for dinner.

November 11th, Friday, our annual veterans tribute out in front of the monuments will take place. Lenny Gorman asks all veterans to attend and be with their respective military group. Lunch will be served and movie to follow in the ballroom.

Then comes November 19th for our first show of the season: a comedy act with Mark Klein and singer impressionist Eric Kerns. Tickets available through Anna Clark at Saturday Socials. Don't miss this great show!

A big thanks to Gene Stevens for doing a great job at our Halloween dance, everyone enjoyed Eric—he puts on a fun time at his dances. December 3 tickets go on sale to the January 21st country music show with Gordy and Debbie right from Branson, MO. See Dick for sign up for Men's Club Golf Tournament in January—get your foursome together, have to be a homeowner to be eligible to play.

If anyone has a good contractor they would like to be at our 4th annual Home Show, please call Tom Minahan at 543-9891.

Hoping all have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving from the Men's Club Board.

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IN THE SPOT LIGHT

By Debbie Hamiton

This is the first of many golfer's bios that the PL Golf Association is pleased to share with the Pine Lakes community. We are thrilled to be able to use this space as a way to honor some of our golfers for their contributions to Pine Lakes and far beyond. That being said, there is no other Pine Lakes golfer more deserving of being the first one recognized in this manner than the one we honor today. Read and enjoy! This is "In the Spotlight."

Darlene Maxine Davis was born in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in 1939.

Darlene's older sisters were 15, 13, and 11 years old when she was born and like Darlene had DMD as their initials - Dorothy Mae, Deloris Marciel, and Donna Marie. When Darlene was just 3 months old, her parents opened the DMD Roller Skating Rink naming their new business after all 4 of their adored daughters. Because the entire family worked at the rink every night, Darlene's Dad built a little bed below the skate counter for Darlene to sleep in. As you might guess, she had her first pair of roller skates before most of us could walk. She was only 8 months old when she was laced into those baby skates and she continued to skate and to work there for the 21 years that her parents operated the DMD rink..

Of course, skating wasn't Darlene's only hobby, she also played in the percussion section of her high school band and continued to play while in college at Central Michigan University. During the 1950's, golf was just a guy's game. So Darlene wasn't introduced to golf until she was 21 when her brother-in-law took her to a golf course. They golfed, she was hooked, and she bought her first set of clubs on that very day.

Darlene received her bachelor's and master's degrees and began teaching 2nd grade in St. Clair Shores, Michigan in 1962. That year she also met a fella. Maybe you have heard of him. Hint: he is a famous deer hunter so consequently they met at the Deer Hunters Ball in Clare, MI. where they danced the night away. And now after 52 years, they are still each other's favorite partners. However, instead of dancing the nights away, you might say that they now prefer to golf the days away. I think you have probably guessed by now that his name is John Topp.

John and Darlene were married in 1964. They moved to Rockford, MI where Darlene taught every one of the elementary grades at some point in time and John operated their party/gas station - the Topp Stop! In 1992, Darlene retired after 30 ½ years in the classroom and John retired from the Topp Stop.

During those years, the Topps belonged to Silver Lake Country Club in Rockford where Darlene won her first club championship in 1968. She would tell you that lady luck was very good to her, but I think we all know that her skill and talent far outweigh what might be considered luck! She won the SLCC Club Championship 25 different years - and

that was definitely not luck. During summers, Darlene had the opportunity to play in many golf tournaments around MI. and it comes as no surprise that she did quite well winning many best ball championships. In 2005, Darlene won the West MI Senior Golf Championship!

The Topps bought their home in Pine Lakes in 1989 even before she and John retired. During the years before they retired, they drove from Michigan to Pine Lakes during spring breaks and Christmas breaks. So they have been driving that trip since 1989. Let me do the math for you, that is almost 30 years. I suppose they know every nook and cranny along the way by now! They are literally perpetual snowbirds.

John and Darlene have been members of the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church here since 1992, where Darlene sings in the choir and is also the drummer. Darlene joined the Pine Lakes Chorus in 1993 and has been either singing in the chorus or directing and/or producing the shows for about 15 years.

Always loving competition, Darlene has won the Pine Lakes Golf Club Championship 19 years and has been runner up 3 years. It is fitting that she is currently our ladies champion. When asked when she will retire from golfing, she laughs and says, "When I have another cardiac arrest." It was no laughing matter that summer day in 2004, during the club championship in Rockford when she actually did have a cardiac arrest. Thankfully, the gals that she was playing with knew CPR, and the ambulance was able to come out onto the golf course and administered AED. With the help of Marge Strauch and many other folks, Darlene was instrumental in getting the AED for Pine Lakes that same year.

Darlene and John have 3 children from John's previous marriage and 1 son, Jeff, who often caddies for Darl in club championships. Darlene's nephew is Dan Pohl who was on the PGA golf tour from 1978 to 1990. He was runner up to Craig Stadler in 1982 in the Masters Tournament. Yes - the one in Augusta, GA where the winner wins a green jacket, a trophy, and a bunch of money!

The Topps love Pine Lakes and the friends they have made over the 25 years. Darlene always adds this thought: "God is good ... All the time."





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HOLIDAY GOLF

By Barb Willis and Denise Wright

The Labor Day tournament was held on Saturday Sept. 3rd with seven teams (2 couples on a team) participating. The game was a shamble with 2 best balls of 4. We played the front nine at Lake Fairways and the back nine at Pine Lakes. Thank you very much to Jerry at Lake Fairways who put the timing together for the two courses. What a great job he did and the day went very smoothly.

1st place team with a 67 was Joe Demkowicz & Jean Marenda and Rick Tayman and Veronica Klimko, 2nd place with a 82 was Ray Streeter and Barb Willis and Dennis A Martin and Robin Hourihan. 3rd place with a 84 was Ron and Fran Cook and Mel Gautieri and Angie Teresky.

After golf we gathered at the pub for a good lunch and enjoyed each others company.

The next holiday tournament is the Halloween tournament and will be held on Saturday, October 29th so please mark your calendars now and plan to come out and have a great time. Some out snowbird will be back so we hope to have a bigger group and hope to see you all in October.



Lady Golfers
Welcome to Pine Lakes

Our Lady Golfers Mentoring Program would like to extend a welcome to all new homeowners and maybe some 'not so new' homeowners who are interested in taking advantage of our beautiful golf course here at Pine Lakes Country Club.

Our mentors are here to:

- ☺ *introduce you to other golfers, the course, and our local rules,*
- ☺ *familiarize you with various tournaments and other golf activities,*
- ☺ *play a few rounds with you, if you'd like, and*
- ☺ *do our best to encourage you to "get out and golf!"*

Please let the folks in the pro shop know if you would like to participate in our program or you may contact one of our 'on call' mentors: Angie Teresky at 908-705-5617 or Joann Cline at 715-216-2721.

TEE TIME

By Joann Cline

It's the time of year when the beautiful colors of fall are showing up on the trees in the northern states and the many different colored license plates are showing up on the streets here in Pine Lakes. We welcome back our friends for Ladies League play, whether they are snowbirds who have been gone for several months, travelers who have been gone visiting family and friends, or those who simply did not play during the heat and humidity of the long hot summer. It's good to have our golf activities back in full "swing"!

With the start of the new season there have been a couple of changes in our league organization. Ronda Owens has resigned as secretary and also as chairman of Birdies, Eagles and Ringers. We all join in a resounding **THANK YOU!!** to Ronda for all her hard work and willingness to help out whenever needed. Joann Cline will now serve as secretary and joins the other members of our board: President Bev MacNeal, Vice-President Judy Emmons, Treasurer Denise Wright, and past President Joanne McCann.

We welcome Debbie Russo as not only a new member of Ladies League but also as recording chairman for Birdies, Eagles and Ringers. Thank you, Debbie, for taking on this responsibility so early in your membership.

Twenty-four ladies attended our fall luncheon at Magnolia Landings on September 29. We all thank Judy Emmons for organizing this opportunity for us to enjoy good food and good friends.

WINNERS-WINNERS-WINNERS- CONGRATULATIONS!

L.E.G.A. October 4, at Six Lakes:

Joann Cline 3rd in B Flight
Linda Knotts 1st in C Flight
Sandy Craig tied for 2nd in C Flight

Shoot-out September 24:

Donna Schneider 1st Place
Cyndi Parks 2nd Place

Shoot-out October 15:

Bev Bynum 1st Place
Linda Knotts 2nd Place

Low Net League Play October 12:

Flight 1

Ronda Owens net 55 1st
Bev Bynum 58 2nd
Joann Cline 61 3rd
Debbie Hamilton 62 4th
Bev MacNeal 62 4th

Flight 2

Fran Cook net 51 1st
Becky Monteleone 54 2nd
Angie Teresky 55 3rd
Donna Schneider 57 4th

Low Net League Play October 19:

Flight 1

Debbie Hamilton net 56 1st
Bev Bynum 57 2nd
Nadine LaCroix 58 3rd

Flight 2

Debbie Russo net 53 1st
Linda Knotts 57 2nd
Veronica Klimko 57 2nd

IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER:

2nd & 3rd Sadie Hawkins Tournament

4th Sadie Hawkins Hootenanny

5th National Donut Day

9th PLLGL Meeting

12th Ladies Shoot-out

17th PLGA Membership Meeting

18th Mickey Mouse's Birthday

26th Turkey Trot Tournament

30th President's Cup

New to Pine Lakes? Read about our mentoring program in this issue of Whispering Pines or on our posting in the pro shop. We would love to have you join our league!

Hole in 1ers



(l to r) John Dieringer, 11th Hole;
Linda Knotts, 10th Hole; David Gluck, 1st Hole

BEAUTIFICATION NEWS FOR NOVEMBER

By Olivia Mastrobuoni

We welcomed our 2016-2017 season and the snowbirds who have come back with the Welcome Back ICE CREAM SOCIAL held in the clubhouse ballroom October 15th. It was well attended with dancing and ice cream for all, everyone seemed to be having a great time and they were able to work off what they ate with some dancing.

Our next event is The SPIRIT of CHRISTMAS Cocktail Party held at David and Ron's home 32A. It's a choice of 3 days November 4th, 5th and 6th with hot and cold Hors D'oeuvres and Cocktails, the ticket sales has been brisk and we are hoping all will have a wonderful time with friends and neighbors, enjoying the awesome decorating which David and Ron are well known for.

The committee is starting Christmas decorating of the clubhouse and grounds early this year so all can enjoy our community all decked out for the holidays before they go north. We have purchased new and exciting decorations this year and the theme will be "TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS". Our Committee is energized to start the festivities.

Once again we would like to thank all who have supported our efforts to keep Pine Lakes beautiful and wish everyone a **HAPPY THANKSGIVING.**

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE CALENDER 2016 - 2017

NOVEMBER 4-5 & 6 - SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

COCKTAIL PARTY (limit to 40 per night)

DECEMBER 11, 2016 - SCAVENGER HUNT

GOLF CART PARADE

DECEMBER 18, 2016 - TOUR of HOMES

DECEMBER 31, 2016 - NEW YEARS' EVE PARTY

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MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

By Dick Loubier

Yes, front nine is now open so we can play all 18 holes. The course is starting to look good. Greens are nice, fairways are green and the rough is, I don't know the right words to describe it. It is high and Jim said they are keeping it two inches high for now. It is taking a little longer to play 18 holds because the players are looking for their balls in the high rough. Oh well, at least it is open. Starting to have nice mornings now and we have tee times on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Probably everybody knows by now, but our pro, Vince Runyon, is not coming back. He is staying in N.H. year-round. We will miss him. Now on for our results.

On October 6, we played low net in FLT; we only had one FLT.

- 1. Mike Gloss – 52
- 2. Dick Loubier – 59
- 3. Charlie Schneider – 60
- 4. Tom Minahan – 61

On October 13 we played a scramble.

- 1. Ray Streeter
D. A. Martin – 53
Joe Demkowicz
Rogers Hamilton
- 2. Kevin Lawton
Ray Rouillard
Fred Stewart – 54
Dave Gluck
- 3. Bob Fillion
Tom Minahan – 55
Chuck Harwood
Joe Monteleone

We had our summer Grand Shootout on October 1, 2016; our winners:

- 1. Roger Jung
- 2. Ron Cook
- 3. Rick Tayman

WE HAD ONE HOLE-IN-ONE:

Dave Gluck, Oct. 18, 2016, on Hole #1.

That's it for now, see you next month.



Ray Streeter checking out the Pro Shop's
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PINE LAKES SOFTBALL IS BACK!

By Dave Gluck

After a great winning season in early 2016, the team finished with 13-6 record and a 10-1 record and championship in the National Division. The team meeting to start our season will be held on **December 1st at 7:00 PM** in the Clubhouse Library. New players are welcome to join the team on that date.

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MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE UPDATE

by Betty White

The Fall session of our Pine Lakes Mixed Bowling League began in October. We bowl at 2:00 PM on Mondays at Bowland, Mid-Cape Terrace (off Santa Barbara) in Cape Coral. We are all doing our best to be number one in the standings. Best Wishes to all for a great season. The Fall session runs until the Christmas season and then after the first of the year, the Winter Session begins and we will be joined by more of the arriving snowbirds.

We welcome all level of bowlers in our league. Come join us and meet your neighbors. Those wishing to sign up please contact Larry Hyskey at 239-567-0807 or Sharon Rondeau at 239-543-5386.

Here are the final standings after the 1st week:

The Winning Teams are as follows:

- 1st: Team 6: Dave Rotthoff, Linda Wakefield,
Andrea Helms, Frank Krawczyk
- 2nd: Team 7: Michelle Lavelle, Irene Gaetani,
Dan Leone, Tony Fettig
- 3rd: Team 1: Louise Ittner, Bill Carroll,
Lorraine Carroll, Dick White

<u>Top Scores:</u>	<u>Scratch Game</u>	<u>Scratch Series</u>
<u>Men:</u>	Randy Califf: 222	Randy Califf: 573
	Bruce Wrede: 188	Dick White: 517
	Larry Hyskey: 188	Larry Hyskey: 512
	Elliott Doliner: 183	

<u>Women:</u>	Louise Ratliff: 193	Louise Ratliff: 487
	Linda Wakefield: 178	Linda Wakefield: 471
	Betty White: 171	Andrea Helms: 448

Individual High Averages:

<u>Men:</u>	
Randy Califf: 183.33	Larry Hyskey: 165.67
Dick White: 161.33	

<u>Women:</u>	
Linda Wakefield: 152.00	Louise Ratliff: 148.67
Lorraine Carroll: 147.00	



A CHRISTMAS GALA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2016

Pine Lakes Chorus and Theater invite all of our Pine Lakes neighbors and friends to a celebration of Christmas memories and cheer on Saturday, December 10, 2016.

You'll find yourself reminiscing, laughing, sighing, and smiling as we celebrate Christmas 2016 together. You won't want to miss the songs, dance and stories reflecting the joy of this marvelous season. You'll also have the chance to sing along to many of your favorite Christmas carols and songs.

So come to the gala and hear about the wondrous gifts of Christmas. You'll be delighted and inspired. So many gifts given today are forgotten quickly. These stories and songs will remain in your hearts. Come and see what awaits you.

Tickets will be sold at Saturday morning coffees beginning on November 5.

Chorus and Theater members offer this wonderful evening at the modest price of \$5.00 so as to encourage everyone to come, participate, and enjoy. In true Christmas spirit, we will collect canned goods and other non-perishable food items to distribute to those in need.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Birthday Bash for Judy (Jessie) Howard
(AKA PADDLEFOOT), held in Oct 2016 by her friends
in Pine Lakes. A good time was had by all.

BILLIARDS

by Al Solvang 349-7950

Time to brush off the dust on your pool cue and get ready for the Fall Season starting November 15th. The North Fort Myers Seniors 8-Ball League now has twelve 5-player teams from nine different communities, 60 players in all, plus several substitutes. Two teams represent Pine Lakes.

We always have room for players as permanent roster players or as subs. Lake Fairways has entered the league and they are short one player. If you are interested in playing, call Lake Fairway's Liaison Don Repose at 599-8074 for all the details.

Pine Lakes Team 1 is also short one player. Please call our Liaison, Johnny Graverson at 567-7944 for details or to discuss Pine Lakes Billiards in general.

We are all anxious to get started and look forward to a fun-filled competitive season.

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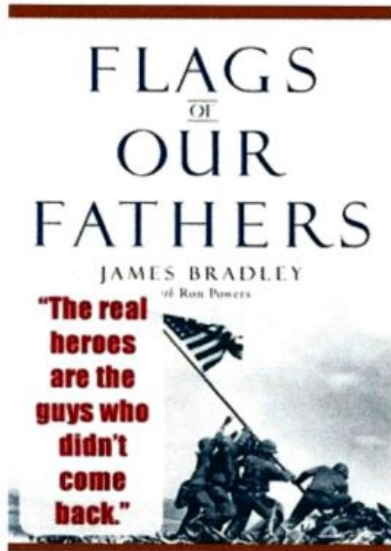
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