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At the December 1, 2021 HEX Hearing for Re-zoning Adjacent Property.

All those GREEN SHIRTS were noticed!!



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HOAII and PLEHOA Minutes and Liaison Meeting notes can be found on the web www.ourpinelakes.com.

PINE LAKES HOA II

Bruce L. Wrede, President

The Lee County Hearing Examiner held the public meeting concerning the rezoning of the French Property on December 1 and 2. I would like to thank all the Pine Lakes homeowners who showed up. Most of the questions asked were concise and to the point. We in Pine Lakes do not want the joining of the two properties. I believe that the Hearing Examiner understood our point and will take that into consideration when she makes her ruling. The examiner said that the ruling could take up to thirty days before it is issued. After the ruling is made, the last chance we have to make our case will be before the Board of County Commissioners. That meeting will be set after the ruling is issued.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on January 17 at 7:00 pm in the Ballroom. The election of Board members will take place at this meeting. There are five Board memberships up for election this year. I urge you to pay your dues and come out and vote at the meeting. There will also be a vote of the membership to transfer monies to the legal account.

The past year has been a long and stressful one for the Officers and the Board. The HEX hearing is not the end of the ongoing struggle with ELS over the French Creek expansion question. There are still many questions that will need to be answered before the entire process is over. I ask that everyone continue to stay involved and up to date on the process as we move forward.

The Board cannot stress enough the importance of everyone paying their dues. Florida State Statue 723 that governs the requirements of HOA's states that a homeowner has an obligation to pay their dues. Webster's Dictionary states that an obligation is "an act or course of action to which a person is morally, or duty bound." While the board does not take the paying of dues as a moral obligation, it should be considered a duty.

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The year 2022 will bring many challenges to Pine Lakes and the Board of Directors. I would like to thank the Board members for their challenging work in the past year. I wish the new Board and officers the best for the new year as they continue to represent the homeowners of Pine Lakes to the high standard they have become accustomed to.

To everyone, a Happy and Healthy New Year!

HOA II Annual Meeting January 17, 2022 at 7 pm in the Ballroom Elections will be held for Board Members

Due to publishing deadlines, the names of the nominees for the Board of Directors will not appear in the Whispering Pines. The names of the nominees will post on the website, ourpinelakes.



PLE HOA ANNUAL MEETING

The Pine Lakes Estates Homeowners Association **I** annual member meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 14, 2022, 7:00PM, in the Clubhouse Ballroom. A notice of the meeting and related information will be shared with all members by mid-January. Due to COVID during 2020-2021, and Emergency Powers established by the Board, there was not an annual meeting in 2021; all Board members and officers stayed in place during the pandemic until the Emergency Powers were removed. There are 3 open director positions for 2022, and as was announced by the Nominating Committee Chair at the December 13, 2021 Board Meeting, current candidates for the positions are: Cindy Ahrens, Bob Godek, and Wendy Saniti. At the annual meeting nominations from the floor will be accepted. All Estates HOA members are encouraged to attend in person, or to return any proxy votes to meet the quorum required to conduct business at this meeting. If you have any questions or issues for the annual meeting, please contact any Board member (listed in front of phone directory or on the official bulletin board near exercise room in clubhouse).

PLE HOA Board of Directors

PINE LAKES ESTATES HOA MEETING SCHEDULE 2022

MONDAY, January 10, 2022, 7:00 PM CH Ballroom MONDAY, February 14, 2022 7:00PM Ballroom CH – Annual Meeting

MONDAY, March 14, 2022 7:00PM CH Ballroom MONDAY, April 11, 2022 7:00PM CH Ballroom MONDAY, October 10, 2022 7:00PM CH Ballroom MONDAY, November 14, 2022 7:00PM CH Ballroom MONDAY, December 12, 2022 7:00PM CH Ballroom

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PINE LAKES WOMEN'S CLUB

By Barbara Zgrzepsk, President

Happy New Year everyone! We have an exciting year to look forward to.

The blanket drive for the Homeless Coalition is in progress. Please drop off any new or slightly used blankets in the box in the clubhouse or contact Suzanne Warner @905-852-8084.

The Quarter Auction is planned for January 15, 2022. Call Bev Mercurio to purchase your paddles. There will be food available to purchase and bring quarters to bid on auction items.

Our craft fair is on the calendar for January 21, 2022 from 8:30 -1:30 PM in the clubhouse. We are looking for volunteers to help on the day of the craft fair. Call Barb Zgrzepski @518-859-0185 if you can help.

The next event in 2022 is our annual fundraising Fashion Show luncheon on February 17, 2022, from 11:30AM-2PM. Our ladies from the Women's Club will be modeling Spring fashions from Anthony's. We could use a volunteer the day of the Fashion Show to help the models behind the scenes with wardrobe changes. Lunch will be your choice of Chicken Piccata or Vegetable Lasagna and will be provided by Mel's Diner. We need some donations for our raffle baskets such as pet items, liquor, wine, candy,

kitchen items or other new things you may not have any use for but someone else would enjoy. Tickets (price to follow) go on sale at our January 6, 2022 meeting, Saturday morning coffee social or by calling Pat Rotthoff @ 239-543-1437 after the January 6th meeting. If you can volunteer that day, please call Barbara Zgrzepski @518-859-0185.Â

Thank you for your hard work to help raise money for our local Lee County charities.



PINE LAKE PANTHERS SOFTBALL

By Ed Huether

Well fans, the 2022 softball season is upon us and I'm sure you're as excited as we are. There have been some team changers this season. Old Bridge has dropped out of the league and Magnolia Landing has joined the league. The schedule of games that the Panthers will play in January is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	<u>Field</u>	<u>Date</u>	Opponent	<u>Field</u>
Jan. 3	Herons Glen	#3	Jan. 5	Magnolia Landing	#3
Jan. 10	Del Turo Amigos	#5	Jan. 12	Buccaneer	#1
Jan. 17	Del Turo Diablos	#3	Jan. 19	Tara Woods	#5
Jan. 24	Lake Fairways	#1	Jan. 26	Magnolia Landing	#5
Jan. 31	Del Turo Diablos	#5			

All games are played at the Camalita Softball Complex and start at 5:30.

Come on, get out of the house and into the fresh Florida air, stop thinking about COVID and have a lot of fun supporting your Pine Lake softball team. We look forward to seeing you all at the ballpark.

Don't forget to donate your cans to the softball team. Thanks for your support, your Pine Lake Panthers.

OHIO NIGHT 2022

By Ray Dunlap

Pine Lakes Country Club's famous "Ohio Night" is back after a one year "Covid-19" hiatus.

One of the very best nights on our community's social calendar has a new musical group this year – "DEB and the DYNAMICS". They are a local Fort Myers high energy band with a great horn section and diverse set list guaranteed to get you on the dance floor.

The event date is March 5th, 2022 and tickets are \$15 per person. We provide Chicken for the main course, set-ups and sodas for drinks, dessert and three hours of awesome music. Each attendee is asked to bring a pot luck side item (not dessert) to share. This is a community wide party - you do not need to be from Ohio to attend. We will have a Split-the-Pot drawing and trivia during the band's break. This event is BYOB!

Tickets go on sale January 15th at 7:30 am in the Club House during the coffee social. Because of the great music and great food, this show will sell out quickly. We are committed to make sure that Pine Lakes residents get access to all the tickets first. Any individual may purchase one or more tickets that morning - with a maximum of eight seats (1 table). Please provide a list of Pine Lake's resident's names so that we can verify that people here get first shot at tickets. If you want more than one table close together, we recommend that you get in line with friends. Come early and please be patient. We only have 340 seats!



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PINE LAKES MEN'S CLUB

By Rick Saniti, President

To all our Pine Lakes residents, here's hoping you had a great Christmas and a wonderful start to a happy new year. 2022, holy cow!

Well, the Men's Club will start 2022 off with 2 shows this month. January 8th we are presenting a 2-part show. George Casey will be our first entertainer. George is a comedian that'll keep us laughing so hard that our cheek muscles may need therapy by the time he's finished. Then, after a quick break, the Two Shay Duo will take the stage. The Two Shay Duo is a wife and husband team that present the music of Shania Twain along with some other artists. Tickets are being sold by Board member Tom Minahan and his wife Trudy.

Then at the end of **January, the 29th** actually, the Men's Club will present the Brass Heart Band. This is a fantastic 11-piece band consisting of various horns, guitars, drums, keyboards and of course wonderful singers. Tickets are being sold by board member Ray Dunlap and his wife Bobbie.

Bingo restarts on **January 5th.** The bingo director Dick Loubier, keeps trying to give away more and more money to all the winners. I don't really know where he gets it all, but this year, there's been some pretty good payouts. The bingo operation is always looking for volunteers to help us make the evening even more of a success. Anyone wanting to help out with the selling and distribution of the bingo packets to be played that evening as well as helping out in the kitchen would be greatly appreciated. It's actually fun and you get to see and meet a lot of the wonderful Pine Lakes residents! Please see Dick Loubier to assist.

The 1st Men's Club meeting of **2022** is January 13th. The doors open at 6pm and our meal will be meat ball subs prepared by Sandy Smith, lovely wife of Board member Bill Smith. Sandy actually makes her own meatballs! No frozen stuff for her. Thank you, Sandy. And of course, there'll be soda and beer available as well. New members are always welcome. The cost of a lifetime Men's Club membership? \$5, WOW!

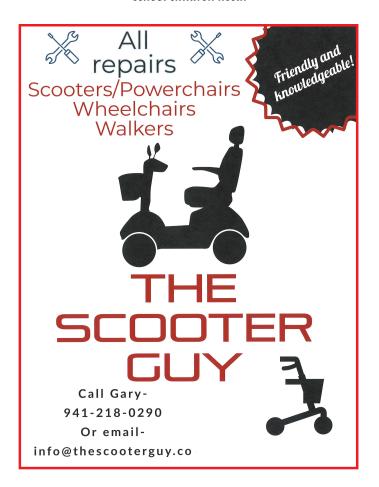
Lastly, is the Men's Club pancake breakfast, presented by board member Tom Clark. The breakfast has been pushed back 1 week to **January 8, 2022 at 7:30 am.** See you there!

That's about it for now. Get out there and make it a great new year!!



Check presented to School Principal Monica Broughton and Assistant Principal Jeff Sanders at the Littleton Elementary School by Tom Minahan representing The Men's Club and ELS.

The check for \$500 was for a list of items that the school children need.



TEXAS HOLD-EM

By Pete Morais

n behalf of the Texas Hold-em Committee, I would like to thank the Men's Club Board for continuing to sponsor us.

The Texas Hold-em Committee would like to invite all the male and female residents of Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways to come and join us on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm to play some Poker with us in the Activity Room in the Clubhouse. The game starts at 7:00pm and ends around 9:00 or 9:30. The cost is only \$12 per person and that includes the possibility to win some nice prize money. New members will need to pay a **one-time** \$5 fee to become a member and help pay for cards, chips and the royal flush jack pot, etc.

To begin with, we give you \$10,000 worth of chips to begin your game. If you are familiar with the game of hold-em, the blinds will start at \$100 and \$200 and progress upwards through the evening. If you run out of chips, we allow you to rebuy \$10,000 in chips for \$10 until we break for chip up around 8:15.

Every Monday, we give away money to the person who has the highest hand for the evening. As of this writing, we had 23 players and paid \$2 a person for a pot of \$46. We have a prize of up to \$300 to an individual who has a Royal Flush. Last week I was fortunate enough to hit it for \$235. Next week it starts to grow all over again.

We also pay out prize money to the high chip hands of the evening based on how many people attend. Rebuys money is helpful in building up the pot we pay from as well as paying at least one person for every table we fill. Last week we filled 3 Tables but with the rebuy money we paid first place \$150, 2nd place we paid \$100, 3rd place payout was \$75 and 4th place received \$50. Last week we paid out a total of \$656 including the royal jack pot.

This month on the 24th of January we will have a \$20 entry fee, 4-hour Tournament like we've had in the past and you can enter Monday evening when you come to pay with us. We look forward seeing you on Monday at 6:30 pm.

PINE LAKES SHUFFLEBOARD – TUESDAY EVENINGS 7:00 PM!!

By Elaine Mandeville and Irene Gaetani

The Fall Season has been a huge success! Thirty-eight residents have played this season! Many new players have come out to enjoy the fun on Tuesday night under the lights!

The weather has cooperated and the lovely fall temperatures brought many folks out to learn this fun game. With the writing of this article, we have one more week of play and our 12 weeks will have flown by. We congratulate all those who have won a game, or just learned to play and had a good time.

We will start playing the Winter season on January 4th and will continue for 12 weeks. Please think about joining in for one or more games. Just show up at the courts on any Tuesday evening. We're playing under new, bright LED lights installed recently. They make a big difference and hopefully will last longer.

Congratulations to the top performers of the season! Have a Blessed and Healthy Holiday Season and we'll see you in the New Year 2022!!

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NEWS FROM THE NIFTY NINERS

by Pat O'Connell

November 3: This was a scramble with pretty evenly matched teams. In first place, winning by 1 stroke, was the team of Helen, Gina, Brenda and Pat D with a score of 35. In second place were 2 teams: Barb W, Janice and Libby and Doris, Ruth, Veronica and Kathy, with 36 each. Nicely done Ladies.

November 10: Today was Low Net in Flight so everyone was on their own. In first place by herself was Janice with a score of 28 (she would have been in first even without her handicap subtracted); tied for second place were Doris and Pat D with scores of 31; in fourth place was Jacquie with a 33 and Veronica was in fifth place with a 34. The 3 of the other 4 player all scored 37. The 4 players were Ruth, Helen, Libby and Kathy. Congratulations to all. It was a nice day to play golf!

November 17: We did a Nifty Niner Shootout today. Nine of us competed in the Shootout where we all play the same hole at the same time and the golfer with the highest number of strokes is "retired" from the rest of the holes. The winner was Barb D and Pat D was second place, both earned cash money, but not enough to report to the IRS (Ruth's email said to bring \$1 bills for a \$2 entry fee). Much to my surprise, I was third and got a 50% increase on my entry fee. (Handicaps can really help people like me!) The other 6 players were: Shirley, Doris, Ruth, Janice, Libby and Helen. No money but I'm SURE they had fun watching superb golfing! Thanks to Charlie Schneider for running the game and dealing with the abuse of certain people! We didn't forget the other 4 members who wanted to play on Wednesday but not in a shootout. They played a Scramble and had a closing score of 39. These players were Jacquie, Veronica, Betty and Brenda.

November 24: Today's game was One club of your choice and a putter scramble. The better choice is that each team member has a different club but that never works! Some people are really good at striking a golf ball for a long distance with the putter! There were 3 teams. The first-place team was Jane, Kathy, Shirley and Janice, winning \$2 each; Team 2, in second place, was Gina, Ruth and Betty, winning \$1 each. The 3rd team, who contributed all the money to the winners, were Barb D, Barb W, Libby and me. I'd like to say that we really weren't that bad but Team 1 and 2 were one stroke apart; my team was behind

by about 4-5 strokes. We're getting to the end of the year so there is only a few more chances to IMPROVE before the end of the year! Hope your Thanksgiving was bountiful and you were well sated. Christmas is coming too so I'd better wish you and all the best of holidays now.



GOLDEN OLDIES GOLF

By Betty White

Wow, the New Year is upon us and with that we find our friends from the North Country are beginning to arrive. Finally, our Canadian friends are able to travel into the US. Golden Oldies will be back in



full swing in January. We will be competing for prizes once more. First, second, third places as well as birdies are prize winning places. Come and join us for nine holes of golf on Friday mornings 9:00 AM, alternating in Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways.

To get your name on the list, please contact Linda Green at her e-mail (<u>lindamgreen47@hotmail.com</u>) or call at 239-224-2564.



TEE TIME Ladies 18 Hole Golf League

By Joann Cline

Golfer's Blessing for the New Year:

"May morning's scent be green and sweet when you answer your tee time call.

May your grip be gently firm and your eyes stay on the ball.

May all your drives find fairways and may they travel far.

May your irons find a place to land that helps you to make par.

May your wedge float then softly drop, may your chips caress the slope.

May your putts locate that perfect break to always give you hope."



Daniel Mark Extrom

A salways, here at Pine Lakes, the month of December was filled with all the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Heartfelt thanks to all who helped to make this a beautiful and joyful time of year! Our Santa Scramble, the Ugly Sweater Tournament, community decorations, Tour of Homes, cart parade, etc., etc., all contribute to making this a great place to spend the holidays.

Special thanks to Annette Maloney and helpers, Carol Listermann and Donna Schneider, for adding to the good times by organizing our league Christmas Luncheon. Held on December 9th at Magnolia Landings, it gave us a chance to enjoy each other's company away from the course and the trials of our golf game. Special thanks also to all our lady golfers for their awesome generosity. Contributing the league's share of the 50/50 drawings at the Fall and Christmas Luncheons, along with the weekly league 50/50 allowed us to write a generous check as a donation to the Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida.

With the hub-bub of holiday festivities behind us, and most of our traveling friends back where they belong, it's time to face the new year and get down to some serious golf. Although maybe not too serious, our Member-Member Tournament is on the January calendar, along with L.E.G.A. here at Pine Lakes, the P.L.G.A. President's Cup Tournament, the last of our ladies' regular shoot-outs, and last but not least the Ladies' Grand Shoot-Out. Keep an eye out for the winners of these events in upcoming issues of the *Pines*.

******* CONGRATULATIONS LADIES LEAGUE WINNERS ****** December 11th SHOOT-OUT WINNERS

Champion: Donna Schneider Runner-Up: Sue-Kay Hunt 3rd Place: Eileen Sims

November 24th League Match Play

Winners of their match: Sue-Kay Hunt Linda Kantz Donna Schneider

Eileen Sims Carol Listermann
Denise Wright Becky Monteleone

Tied their match: Marilyn Hayes & Irene Hinchley

Debra Russo & Linda Wakefield

December 1st League Play Santa Scramble 3 Clubs & a Putter

Team Score 59Team Score 60Team Score 60Cyndi ParksBev BynumLori SkinnerConnie RiedlingerSandy TupperDenise WrightDonna SchneiderBecky MonteleoneCarolyn Copley

December 8th League Play Low Net in Flight

Flight 1		Flight 2	
Annette Maloney	net 52	Denise Wright	net 60
Debra Russo	60	Carol Listermann	61
Linda Wakefield	65	Khris Clevenger	63
Bev Bynum	66	Sandy Craig	66
Sue-Kay Hunt	67	Becky Monteleone	66
Eileen Sims	67	Linda Kantz	68
Cyndi Parks	68	Laurie Pellerin	68
Closest to the pin #3	Debra Russo	Closest to the pin #5	Joann Cline

December 15th League Play 2 Best Ball Shamble

Team Score 86	Team Score 90	Team Score 92	Team Score 93
Bev Bynum	Irene Hinchley	Sue-Kay Hunt	Lori Skinner
Connie Riedlinger	Annette Maloney	Joann Cline	Linda Knotts
Laurie Pellerin	Becky Monteleone	Joyce Reetz	Carol Listermann
Sandy Craig	Char Lopez	Blind Draw	Blind Draw

Important Dates in January:

15th Nat'l Strawberry Ice Cream Day

1st	Prayers for a Gentler World in 2022!	20th Member-Member Brunch
10th	Member-Member Tournament	22nd Ladies' Shoot-Out
12th	LEGA at Pine Lakes	26th & 27th President's Cup Tournamen
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14th Member-Member Tournament 29th Ladies' Grand Shoot-Out



C.E.R.T.

By Mike Gloss

Special events brought to you by your Pine Lakes CERT team:

January 19th - 2:30 PM - in the Clubhouse. State of Florida Poison Control will give a comprehensive presentation.

January 29th - The N Ft Myers Fire Department - **8:30AM** - in the Clubhouse after the coffee social, will present a safety seminar. Following the presentation, they will be scheduling free home visits to assess your smoke detectors. If found deficient, they will replace them with free ones!

Join our CERT TEAM. CERT BASIC training will be given on February 9, 11, 16, 18 and 23rd.

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MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

By Dick Loubier

BEEN NICE WEATHER HERE IN PARADISE. TREES ARE TURNING COLOR, LEAVES ARE FALLING, NICE AND COOL IN MORNINGS BUT WARMS UP FAST. LOTS GOING ON AND REALLY LOTS COMING UP. ALL KINDS OF TOURNAMENTS. PRESIDENT CUP, MEMBER-MEMBER, CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, INTERCLUB, GRAND SHOOTOUTS, MIXED SHOOTOUT, MEMBER-GUEST, MEGA WILL BE HERE IN APRIL, MEN'S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT, ENOUGH TO KEEP EVERYBODY HAPPY AND BUSY. AND NOW FOR OUR RESULTS.

ON NOV 18 WE PLAYED			
SHAMBLE, 2 BB OF 3			
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RAY WALTON	112		
RICK TAYMAN			
2.BILL SKINNER			
JEFF PENDERS	113		
PETE MORAIS			
3.TIE LARRY SIMS			
FRED STEWART	117		
JOE DEMKOWICZ			
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WE HAD OUR THIRD SHOOT OUT ON 12/4/21 RESULTS ARE FLIGHT A 1.ED CLEVENGER

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1.SHERMAN RIEDLINGER 2.CHARLIE WAKEFIELD

WE HAVE 2 MORE SHOOT OUTS THEN THE GRAND SHOOT OUT

I GUESS THAT IS ALL OR NOW SEE YOU NEXT MONTH AND HOPE YOU ALL HAD A MERRY XMAS.

Hole in 1ers
November 28, 2021
Jack Mackenzie
Hole #7

Hole in 1ers
December 5, 2021
Mike Gloss
Hole #5

SADIE HAWKINS TOURNAMENT

By Irene Hinchley

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of our Sadie Hawkins Tournament held on October 20th and 21st, 2021. It was a fun event.

Closest to Pin Winners: Bud Bruns & Sandy Tupper (Hole in One!!)

FLIGHT 1:

1st Place: Sandy Tupper & Mike Hayes (110) 2nd Place: Marilyn Hayes & Chris Tupper (112) 3rd Place: Sue-Kay Hunt & Larry Sims (113) 4th Place: Leah Tompkins & Phil Eberhardt (115)

FLIGHT 2:

1st Place: Laurie Pellerin & Bud Bruns (109)

OVERALL WINNERS

2nd Place: Bev Bynum & Joe Demkowicz (113) 3rd Place: Sandy Craig & Bob Fillion (114) 4th Place: Connie Riedlinger & Randy Califf (118)

FLIGHT 3:

1ST Place: Barb Willis & Charlie Schneider (116) 2nd Place: Shirley Kubie & Sherman Riedlinger (120) 3rd Place: Gina Eberhardt & Ken Tompkins (122) 4th Place: Carol Listerman & Tim Mercurio (123)

FLIGHT 4:

1st Place: Brenda Loubier & Bob Konetzny (118) 2nd Place: Ruth Hovet & Ed Clevenger(119) 3rd Place: Khris Clevenger & Terry Simons(125) 4th Place: Barb Harwood & Pete Morais (132)





PICKLEBALL NEWS FROM PINE LAKES AND LAKE FAIRWAYS

By Janet Dudding

We elcome back to all of our pickleball enthusiasts to the 2021-2022 season. It is great to see so many familiar faces and so many new players. This is the fastest growing sport in North America and a great sport for all ages. It requires minimal equipment (paddle), and is a fun activity. We encourage everyone to bring their own water bottle, but there is a water cooler and water cups provided if you need them. As of December 21, our membership is nearing 115. We are expecting this to grow as our snowbirds and new members arrive in the New Year.

We have the luxury of having Jay Schofield as our Pickleball instructor who provides free instruction to both beginner and intermediate players. These lessons are offered on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8-9:30 am at the Pickle ball court. Peggy O., Janice R., and Diane S. all report that "Jay is fabulous! He is patient, knowledgeable, friendly, and outgoing. He is a great teacher."

If you are interested in this learning opportunity, sign up on the sheet located on our bulletin board at the courts and give Jay a call @ 508-560-5233 to register. You won't be sorry!

Our pickleball courts are available for use 7 days/week and as mentioned we have a large number of players wanting to play. To facilitate maximum numbers and minimal wait times between games, your executive is exploring ways to achieve this goal. In the New Year there will be information on the pickleball bulletin board that will help with this organization.

As you may know, it is difficult to run a club/group without some funds for expenses. This may include water cups for the cooler, pickleballs for each court, office supplies (printer ink and paper, white board markers, cleaner etc., name tags, label cartridges, laminating) as well as items such as a new whiteboard replacement, glass doors on our message board to replace the plastic ones, canvas canopy in seating area, a new storage box and additional wind screens. To this end, we will be asking our members for a \$10 fee in the New Year. This is a very small amount

of money for such an enjoyable activity. We will also supplement this with some exciting fundraising activities to help us reach our goals.

At this time, we should acknowledge our executive members who have been working hard behind the scenes to ensure that you have an enjoyable pickle ball experience at the Pine Lakes and Lake Fairways pickleball facility. They include:

Sandy Weiland-President 920-371-4020 Steve Siefer-Executive VP 574 876-7532 Bob Howland-VP 607-738-1909 Tom Clark-Treasurer 239-565-1855 Janet Dudding-Secretary 705-761-3899

Please feel free to chat with them if you have any questions.



Pickleball Instructor Jay Schofield



Pickleball lessons on the court • Photos by Geof Dudding

MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE

By Sharon Rondeau

The season is almost over. We are 10 weeks into our fall season with only 2 weeks left to go. We've had some outstanding bowling!

The standings after 6 weeks of bowling are:

1st place (48 pts.):	We Try Hard	Char Wagnitz, Fran Stauffer, Chris Eibling, Ron Thoreson
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2nd place (48 pts.): Alley OOP's Carol Kranyik, Jean Lang, Matt Heier, Daryl Lang

3rd place (46 pts.): Pin Drops Al Gaetani, John Kelly, Tommy Karie-Fenton, Frank Krawczyk
3rd place (46 pts.): Nightmares Trish Bell, Rhonda Petrillo, Charlie Wakefield, Dean Hurd

High Averages:

Men:	190 Daryl Lang	190 Mike Watson	185 Eric Welch
Women:	161 Irene Hinchley	158 Ann Rasler	144 Sharon Rondeau

High Scratch Game:

Men:	257 Eric Welch	244 Randy Califf	233 Daryl Lang

257 Ron Thoreson257 Mike Watson

Women: 212 Ann Rasler 208 Irene Hinchley 198 Pat Provino

198 Louise Ratliff

High Scratch Series:

Men:	690 Eric Welch	631 Mike Watson	612 Ron Thoreson
Women:	603 Ann Rasler	552 Irene Hinchley	510 Peg Ackley

Special congratulations go out to the following bowler who achieved BMA Honors of \$50 on their Passport 2-Fun Cards for meeting the following criteria: up to a 174 average and bowl a 600+ scratch series: November 29th Ann Rasler with a 152 average bowled a 603 scratch series! Super bowling Ann!!

Our fall season will end on December 27th and we will start our 12-week winter season on January 3rd. If you would like to bowl in January, please give Larry Hyskey at 239-567-0807 or Sharon Rondeau at 508-846-3001 a call. We bowl on Mondays at 2:00 at Bowland/Coral Lanes in Cape Coral.



JOIN OUR MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE

The Pine Lakes Mixed Bowling League will start the second half of our season on January 3, 2022and will end on March 21 followed by an awards luncheon on March 28.

We bowl on Mondays at 2 pm (practice starts at 1:45). The cost per week is \$14.00. We are a non-sanctioned handicap league so it doesn't matter what your average is.

Please contact Larry Hyskey at 239-567-0807 or Sharon Rondeau at 508-846-3001 to sign up.

We welcome new bowlers. Come join in on the fun and meet new people.

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Clubhouse card room to play friendly games, continue to learn bridge strategy, and enjoy the game. Lots of laughs, chance to catch up, and FUN. Sometimes we even have treats! If interested in joining the group, contact Cindy Ahrens (612.790.1913 or cindyahrens@netzero.net) and sign up for table assignments.

90S LUNCHEON

By Virginia Davis

Ctart the New Year right and join us for luncheon noon Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at the Sandtrap. Anyone from Lake Fairways or Pine Lakes, 90 years or older, man or women, are welcome to join us. It will be a good time with Bud Berger speaking and surprises!! If you need a ride or more information call Virginia 315-456-9059.

RSVP at above phone number who is coming. Bring a friend see you then!

NEW NIGHT

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Saturday, February 5, 2022

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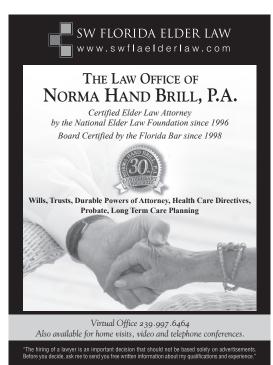
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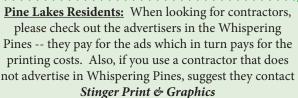


Doors open at 5:30. Dinner at 6:00.

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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

By Bev Mercurio

Happy New Year to everyone! The holidays are over and now it's time to settle in and look forward to our next exciting show we have for you!

February 12, we present music and comedy with Rory Gardiner. Rory is a CCMA nominated country artist



Rory Gardiner

and standup comedian. Rory is a wonderful story teller and a fabulous song writer. Rory has shared the stage with several great Country acts, such as Keith Urban. His original music has been featured on TV shows nationwide.

You won't want to miss this fun and entertaining show. Jesse Howard will be your ticket contact. You can reach Jesse @ 207-735-5812. Tickets are \$15.00 and BYOB. We will have other exciting events coming up. Stay tuned...

PINE LAKES VETERANS ASSOCIATION

By Linda Baker

We observed Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on December 7 at noon in front of the Clubhouse with a small ceremony attended by members of the PL Veteran's Association.

Attention Veterans!!! If you haven't joined the Pine Lakes Veteran's Association yet, what are you waiting for? We would love to have you, and the best part is, it's free to join!! Come to the next meeting or contact any board member for an application.

If you believe you are a member but are not getting the meeting reminder emails, please contact Linda Baker (<u>LLB5775@comcast.net</u> or 517-202-6219) to update your information.

If you are interested in the **Honor Flight**, or if you need a green lightbulb for your yard light, please contact Tim Mercurio.

Please contact one of the board members if you know of the passing of a Pine Lakes Veteran.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 2:00pm in the activities room in the Clubhouse. Hope to see all Pine Lakes Veterans there!

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By Linda LeClaire

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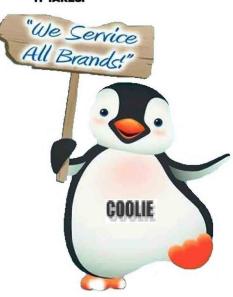
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BOCCE LEAGUE

By Jim Rastrelli

The Fall 2021 Bocce Season is over! There was a tie for First Place between Judie Greene/Joe Lumeniello and Pat Pacewic/Jeff Furnia. Coming in Second were Peg Ackley/Tony Fettig and Linda Greene/Joe Salerno. A playoff was held on Wednesday December 15th and the winners are Judie and Joe for First Place and Second Place Peg Ackley and Tony Fettig. Al Gaetani substituted for Tony and did a great job in Tony's place. Third place went to Linda Greene and Joe Salerno. Both games were close and exciting and enjoyed by a lot of Bocce fans and players. Jim Rastrelli, Rich Pacewic and Irene Gaetani acted as referees for the matches.

After the games were over there was a Potluck lunch in the Clubhouse where the trophies were given out to the players. All in all, it was a great Fall Season with great participation and fantastic weather. Congratulations to the Bocce Committee for all the work in putting everything together.

Now for the future, Sign-ups for the <u>Winter Season</u> is on Wednesday January 5th at 11:00 in the Activity room. Drawing for teams will be at noon with a Pizza lunch after the drawings. This will be a 10-week season with January 12th as the opening game and the season will end on March 16th with the playoffs on March 23rd and the Awards Banquet on March 30th. So mark your calendars and join the fun and..... "Lets Play Bocce!"



DAY OF CARING

By Pat Dieringer & Judy DeLonge

The Pine Lakes Day of Caring committee would like to wholeheartedly thank the residents for their generous monetary gifts during this chaotic time. We donated \$4,600 to each charity before Thanksgiving: Wake Up America, Catholic Charities, and the Fort Myers Mission. Before Christmas we donated an additional \$1,500 to each charity. Hundreds of people benefitted from your generosity.











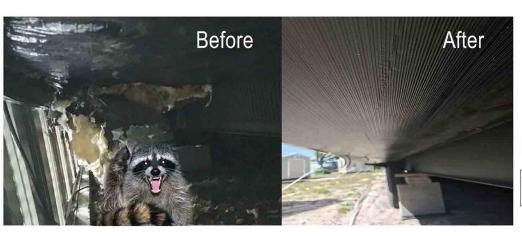
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		& Comedian George Casey	
1/15/2022	Women's Club	Quarter Auction 5-9pm	
1/19/2022	C.E.R.T.	Poison Control Seminar, 2:30PM Clubhouse	
1/21/2022	Women's Club	Craft Fair (8:30-1:00)	
1/29/2022	C.E.R.T.	Safety Seminar by N. F.M. Fire Dept., 9A	
		after coffe social	
1/29/2022	Men's Club	Brass Heart Band	
2/5/2022	Contact: Linda LeClaire	New Night	
2/12/2022	Entertainment Committee	Rory Gardner –	
		Comedian/singer/overall entertainer	
2/17/2022	Women's Club	Fashion Show 11:30am	
2/19/2022	Men's Club	Chicago Re-Wired	
3/4/2022	Women's Club	BIG Treasure Sale in Clubhouse	
3/5/2022	OHIO NIGHT	Contact: Ray/Bobbie Dunlap,	
		Deb & the Dynamics Band	
4/30/2022	Entertainment Committee	Dance featuring The Limited Edition Band	
6/18/2022	Entertainment Committee	To be announced	
8/13/2022	Entertainment Committee	To be announced	
12/3/2022	Entertainment Committee	To be announced	

LOVE TO SING?? WE NEED YOU!

The Pine Lakes Chorus for many years presented both a Spring and a Christmas show for the residents of both Lake Fairways and Pine Lakes, however, its last performance was in 2016. Darlene Topp took over the Director's position from the original Pine Lakes resident, Jackie Scharfe. She is ready to do it again and has even reserved rehearsal and show time dates. All we need are the singers!

We have been fortunate in the past to have people from other local communities add their voices to ours to put on some great shows. So, this invitation is being extended once again to those who would like to be part of a Disney Musical next March to sign up to sing. If you read music that is great, but if you are willing to learn your part that's okay too.

Here is the schedule reserved for practice and showtime in the Pine Lakes clubhouse:



Rehearsal time: 6:30 PM-9:00 PM on the following dates:

December 27, 2021

January 3, 11, 17, 24, 31, 2022

February 7, 15, 21, 28, 2022

March 7, 10, 11, 2022

Evening Performances: March 12, 13, 2022

All who love to sing and are willing to devote the time to rehearsals are invited to be a part of the new Pine Lakes Chorus. Please let us know. *You do not have to live in Pine Lakes to be a member of our chorus.*

Contact:

Darlene Topp (616) 874-7612 toppstop55@aol.com Barb Patton (239) 292-9620 pinelkpoet@comcast.net

THANKS FOR TENNIS

By Sandy Milley

During Thanksgiving Week, players from the past and the present Blue Team took to the courts to experience the joy of tennis, have some laughs with friends, exercise their brains and bodies with some physical activity and of course to polish their skills. Over the past years, whether the Blue Team was called the Gators, or the Bull Dogs, or the Pitbulls, or as now known as the Aging Bulls, they all have something common, and that is that they genuinely enjoy the camaraderie. They also say that tennis keeps them young. The journey of the Blue team has collected many memories over the years.

One touching story took place at the end of the 2019-2020 season, which just happened to be a winning season, where they finished in first place. One of that year's players was a wonderful gentleman, named John Shaw. For many years at Pine Lakes, he was a tennis player and a baseball player, but had never won a title. This first place finish thrilled him immensely. Sadly, Pine Lakes lost John this past summer, but this fond memory and other memories live on.

This year's team, the Aging Bulls have begun the season with some wins, but as this year's captain, Ed Dukes, says, "thank goodness for our neighbors to the south, as they have allowed us not to be in last place" (but, I would like to add, they are first in effort and having fun).

Many years ago, there were two Blue Teams, when Bill Roberts and Howard Harrison were the captains. Bill has played tennis on a Blue team for well over a decade and misses some of the guys, but plays with many of them, who are still playing tennis at the drop in social tennis times. He also is enjoying the many new players that have joined the team recently.

The Aging Bulls home games are played here on Thursday afternoons. A schedule is posted on the tennis bulletin board behind court 1, so please check out the dates of the upcoming home games and come out and see first-hand what fun everyone is having.

Although this year's team has been formed, there are still many opportunities to get out and enjoy tennis. One way is to join the drop times on Mondays to Fridays at 8:00am. Please grab a racquet and we will see you on the courts!



POOL PARTIES

By Linda LeClaire

Pool parties are back with food and music! Join us on Sunday afternoons from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. The grillers and kitchen volunteers are ready and eager to serve you lunch. We have hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, brats, pulled pork, chips, ice cream and soda. We are also always looking for volunteers to help on the grill and in the kitchen. If you are willing and able, please call Linda LeClaire at 239-849-0459.



BEAUTIFICATION

If you've been to the pool, hopefully you noticed that the tiki masks and other decorations got a much-needed facelift this summer. But then Fall came and October certainly starts our busiest time of the year. We ate pie and ice cream with you at our Welcome Back Dessert Social on October 25. In November, we offered holiday decorations at bargain prices at our sale and spent a day working – and laughing – beside you as we decorated our community. December gave us the chance to spend an afternoon visiting the wonderful homes decorated by our friends and neighbors and an evening of holiday lights, laughter & lotto at the Annual Golf Cart Parade. We hope our events have made you smile and given every resident a happy memory or two.

Early January brings us to our last task – putting the sparkly ornaments of Christmas into bins for next year. On January 5th at 10:00, we will gather at the clubhouse to put the holiday decorations away....we are asking for your help. Please join us if you can.

We hope your Holidays were joyful and we wish you a Happy & Healthy 2022!

Linda, Phyllis, Becky & Bev





Submitted by Donna Russo (38B Indigo Ct): My Mom Nancy Mitchell passed away August 9, 2021 after a long history of Myasthenia Gravis. She and my dad Don Mitchell (he passed in 2009) were original owners of Pine Lakes buying their house on Summertree Ct. They were both very active and involved in Pine Lakes activities. Thanks for all the memories, Pine Lakes, and making this a wonderful place for my parents and us during our retirement!



January Birthdays

						Kay Brown Sal Carrera Luis Garcia Toni Judkins
Barbara Brown Terry Radusin Ann Rasler	Sandra Cook Sandy Morais Shirley Rogers	Joann Cline Leo Mandeville Kelly Jo Myers-Madoian	Sue Bourque Judy Lockwood Dixie Shaw Christy Welch	Barb Daley Joan Evans Pamela Johnson Pat Pacewic Jerri Shirley	Dennis Serra 7	8 Virginia (12E) Davis Jean Gray Karen Proulx
9 Roseanne Beaudoin	Fran Marino Joe Swinford Barb Willis	Jeanne Lavelle	Kathleen Schulz	Bev Mercurio 13	Charles Rimlinger	Greg Gully Linda Streeter
Pam Krohn Michele Roomet	Kevin O'Rourke Jack Van Ingen	Marilyn Notarpole	Karen Brennan	Bob Hollmeyer Carol Kleffner Fred Stewart Sonny Weinstein	21	Carole Kerr Frank Porter Terri Wilkin Barbara Wolfenden
Ed Huether Steve Payne Elliot Doliner 30 Mo Keary	Nancy Kelly Michael Piazza Gerry Sanzone 24 Esta Dow Nancy LeBlond	Sherry Burke Irwin Peters	Jimmy Johnston Christine Mattia	Jack Barron 27	Steve Boire Monte Gilliland Joe Salerno Mary Tivnan	Larry Burkett 29
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January Anniversaries

				Jim Black & Karen McGee '20 Paul & Nancy Truman		
2	Steve & Sandra Cook	David & Jane Filipek '74	5	Rich & Pat Pacewic '80	Charles Rimlinger & Pamela Johnson	Burton & Wanda Nelson '72
9	10	11	Larry & Eileen Sims '73	13	14	15
Kevin & Beverly Dobbs '16	17	John & Kay Brown '64 Tim & Bev Mercurio '17	Luis & Sharon Garcia '85 David & Bonnie Wright '73	20	Tony & Barbara Grabowski '56	22
Ron & Darlene Kasmouski		25	26	27	28	Omer & Sue Bourque '58
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MAY 2022	April 17, 2022
JUNE/JULY/AUGUST 2022	[distributed early July] June 5, 2022
SEPTEMBER 2022	August 17, 2022
OCTOBER 2022	September 17, 2022
NOVEMBER 2022	October 17, 2022
DECEMBER 2022	November 15, 2022
JANUARY 2023	December 15, 2022



NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS OF PINE LAKES

From Cindy Ahrens, Editor of Whispering Pines

Many of the photos that I've been including recently have been pulled from Facebook posts! I always contact the photographer to request permission for possible inclusion in the Whispering Pines. I can tell there are many of you taking and sharing some terrific photos! PLEASE SEND THOSE PHOTOS DIRECT TO ME at cindyahrens@netzero.net so I can add to the Whispering Pines photo file to fill our color covers. There may not be space for all photos, but I will pull from that file as needed to include on our covers in color. THANKS TO YOU ALL!

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